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TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE:

MAY 11 1961

FROM : Edwyn Silberling, Chief, Organized Crime  
and Racketeering Section, Criminal DivisionES:JAT:mf  
84-28-33  
156-45-2

SUBJECT: Lew Farrell - Anti-Racketeering

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [ ] of your Omaha field office, dated March 22, 1961, concerning Farrell. At page 11 of his report Special Agent [ ] describes an interview with one Richard Glenn Long, a confessed burglar, wherein he questioned Long regarding reports that Farrell met with a group of burglars and fences in Kansas City on a regular, routine basis. We would appreciate your determining, if possible, the nature and extent of Farrell's participation in such meetings, if they actually do occur or have occurred recently, as well as the nature of the subjects discussed at such meetings. We would also desire to find out whether any goods or money changes hands at such meetings, as well as the identities of the participants in such exchanges, if they do occur.

At page 14 of the same report Special Agent [ ] tells of an alleged payment of \$1000 to Farrell by one "Goldie", who is identified as the boss or one of the bosses of the Central Construction Company, Omaha. Would you please ascertain, if possible, further details regarding the nature and purpose of this payment. Also, since it appears that this was not the first payment by "Goldie" to Farrell, we would appreciate your determining how long ago these transactions began, how often they are made, and whether they are still continuing at the present time.

Reference is also made to Special Agent [ ] report dated November 18, 1960. At page 25 of this report information is provided relating to Farrell's alleged political activities on behalf of Herschel Loveless during his 1958 campaign for re-election to the Governorship of Iowa. Farrell is reported to have channeled \$50,000 of money from the Teamsters Union as a contribution to Loveless' campaign fund. We would appreciate your determining whether Farrell engaged in similar activities during Loveless' campaign for the United States Senate in 1960, particularly with regard to campaign contributions from the Teamsters or any other labor organization. We would also like to find out the nature and extent of Farrell's activities on behalf of Richard Nixon in his campaign for the Presidency in 1960, again with special concern for campaign contributions which may have come through Farrell from any labor organization, including the Teamsters.

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At page 29 of the same report Special Agent [ ] tells of Farrell's activities on behalf of Tommy Leonetti, a popular singer. Leonetti was performing in an Omaha night club around August or September of 1960, and Farrell reportedly made several telephone calls to friends and acquaintances urging them to attend Leonetti's performances. [ ] informant speculated that someone in the underworld might own a "piece" of Leonetti. We would appreciate your determining just what Farrell's connection with Leonetti may be. It may be noted that several years ago Leonetti had a manager named Ambrosia, who was connected with the underworld. Leonetti became dissatisfied with Ambrosia's services and eventually obtained another manager. The McClellan Committee made an investigation of Ambrosia's activities and found that Leonetti himself knew nothing about Ambrosia's hoodlum affiliations but appeared to be an innocent bystander. (See the Final Report of the Senate Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field, Senate Report No. 1139, 86th Congress, 2d Session, part 4, pages 780-781.) Farrell, however, may nevertheless be somehow connected with Leonetti. The land records in Des Moines reflect that the property on which Farrell's house stands is in the name of Mrs. Farrell, whose maiden name was Randa. The records further show that the land was conveyed to her by one [ ] guardian of [ ] incompetent."

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LEW FARRELL  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the Department dated May 11, 1961, requesting specific investigation with respect to the subject.

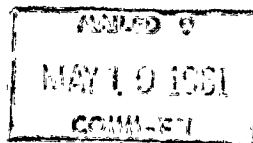
Specifically, the Department requests additional investigation concerning the allegation that Farrell has been associated with a group of burglars and fences in Kansas City; regarding the nature and purpose of the alleged \$1,000 payoff to one "Goldie," who is associated with the Central Construction Co., Omaha; that additional investigation be conducted concerning the alleged political contribution by Farrell to Herschel Loveless in the 1958 campaign to determine if Farrell made a similar contribution during the 1960 campaign; to determine the nature and extent of Farrell's activities on behalf of Richard Nixon in his 1960 Presidential campaign; and to conduct additional investigation regarding the allegation that someone in the underworld might own a "piece" of Tommy Leonetti, a popular singer.

Omaha immediately furnish Kansas City pertinent information in order that its phase of this investigation can be expeditiously handled. The results of this investigation should be submitted in a form suitable for dissemination and reach the Bureau no later than June 2, 1961.

Enclosure

1 - Kansas City (Enclosure)

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>OMAHA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>OMAHA</b>	DATE <b>MAY 24 1961</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>2/20-5/5/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 20px;"> </span>	TYPED BY <b>KCC</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	<b>REC-9</b>

REFERENCES: Report of SA   3/22/61 at Omaha.  
 Chicago letter to Omaha dated 3/21/61. (IO)  
 Minneapolis Airtel to Omaha 3/22/61. (IO)  
 Kansas City letter to Omaha 3/22/61. (IO)  
 Las Vegas letter to Omaha 3/27/61. (IO)  
 Indianapolis letter to Omaha 4/7/61. (IO)  
 Detroit letter to Omaha 4/10/61. (IO)

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LEADS:CHICAGO

1. AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will identify subscribers to following numbers and develop background information; will thereafter interview regarding subject unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted.

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CL 3-8970 called on 4/1/61;  
AN 3-6360 called on 4/7/61;  
NI 7-6622 called on 4/8/61.

2. Will develop additional background data on Martin Shape, 4620 North Sheridan, Chicago, who on 12/21/60 wrote check for \$1000.00 payable to subject; will thereafter interview regarding subject and any knowledge he may possess regarding subject, his associations and activities.

#### INDIANAPOLIS

1. AT FORT WAYNE, INDIANA. Will identify subscriber to KE 2941, called on 3/19/61 from subject's residence; will thereafter interview regarding subject.

2. Will interview [redacted] Manager, Fort Wayne Glass Company, regarding subject and any knowledge he may possess regarding subject, his associations, and activities.

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#### KANSAS CITY

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. Will identify subscriber to AM 7-6205 called on 2/13/61 from subject's residence and will thereafter interview regarding subject.

#### OMAHA

1. AT DES MOINES, IOWA. Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

2. Will maintain contacts with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

3. Will interview following individuals, identified as close associates of subject, for any information available to them regarding subject's activities and associates:

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- (1) [ ] President, World Wide Distributing Company;
- (2) [ ] Officer of Sanitary Disposal Company, and established close associate of subject;
- (3) [ ] President of Sanitary Disposal Company, who recently paid subject \$3500.00 in personal checks.

OMAHA

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA. Will interview following individuals for any information available regarding subject's activities and associates:

- (1) [ ] and [ ] officials of the Center Construction Company - which firm source of funds for subject.
- (2) [ ] Novak Cadillac, long known as acquaintance of subject, and who wrote check 7/19/60 for \$2500.00 payable to subject.
- (3) LARRY MITILIER, 6269 Pine Street, frequently called by subject, frequently meets subject in Omaha, official in numerous siding companies in Omaha.
- (4) [ ] former President of Universal Builders and Supply Company of Omaha, a firm subject admittedly connected with in 1955; an occasional contact of subject in Omaha.
- (5) DONALD BORDY, President of the Biltmore Construction Company, Omaha; has been seen in contact with subject in Omaha; instant company a frequent telephonic contact of subject.
- (6) [ ] address unknown but rumored to owe FARRELL \$11,000.00.

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INFORMANTS:

OM T-1 is Miss [redacted], Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha, Nebraska to SA [redacted] in 92-74-718.

OM T-2 is Las Vegas PCI [redacted] as set forth in Las Vegas letter 3/27/61 in 92-74-733;

OM T-3 is [redacted] to SA [redacted] in 92-74-.

OM T-4 is [redacted] to SA [redacted] in 92-74-.

OM T-5 is [redacted] to SA [redacted] in 92-74-723.

OM T-6 is [redacted] to SA [redacted] in 92-74-717.

OM T-7 is [redacted] Elkhorn, Nebraska, to SA [redacted] in 92-74-718.

OM T-8 is [redacted] Town House Motel, Omaha to SA [redacted] in 92-74-718; and 92-74-722; and 92-74-734.

OM T-9 is [redacted] United Air Lines, Omaha, Nebraska, to SA [redacted] in 92-74-718.

OM T-10 is [redacted] Manager, Hotel Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska, to SA WAYNE J. MORRISON in 92-74-721.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Investigation in instant matter has been conducted for over three years, or since December, 1957. Pattern of subject's activities and identity of his associates has been well established, but details of transactions in which he is involved or nature of his relationship with many of his associates as yet not clearly established. In view of this and, anticipating the scheduled investigation of subject by the Internal Revenue Service in the summer of 1961, this

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office is directing that interviews be conducted with all persons identified as associated with subject in some unknown business transaction. Exceptions to this will be that no interviews will be requested of known hoodlums, union officials, and persons wherein information is available indicating an interview should not be conducted.

Request is being made herein for interviews with persons known in the past to have made payments of money to subject or to have been meeting frequently with him on unknown matters. These interviews are to be conducted UACB.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED]

Office: Omaha, Nebraska

Date: MAY 24 1961

Field Office File No.: 92-74

Bureau File No.: 92-3185

Title: LEW FARRELL

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject continues telephonic contacts with known Omaha, Chicago, and Kansas City associates. Recent new associate, [REDACTED] identified as Manager of Fort Wayne Glass Company, Fort Wayne, Indiana. FARRELL alleged to be associate of hoodlum group in north Kansas City, Missouri, known as "The Clique." \$1000.00 in cash allegedly received by subject in Omaha in February, 1961, determined to have been provided by [REDACTED], Official of Center Construction Company, Omaha, which firm source of earlier payments to subject. Bank deposits, March and April, 1961, total \$4050.00, of which \$3500.00 deposited in two personal checks from [REDACTED] President of Sanitary Disposal Company, Des Moines. In February, 1961, subject claimed to be anticipating collection of \$10,000.00 debt owed him by [REDACTED] of Omaha. Met with [REDACTED] mentioned above, in Omaha in March, 1961. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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**DETAILS:**



Lettered and numbered headings and sub-headings in this report, as well as captions and sub-headings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

**C. ASSOCIATES**

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Set forth on the following pages is information pertaining to

 during the above specified period. Where information previously or currently furnished has identified  involved, such identity is set forth accompanied by an asterisk (\*).

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Information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, and may be  
obtained only by subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] at that address.

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Examination of information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
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revealed the following:

[REDACTED]

On 5/5/61 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] :KCC Date dictated 5/5/61

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(2) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed and Unidentified

The Chicago Division reported that FI 6-7100 is listed to the Executive House, a luxury type hotel located at 71 East Wacker Drive, Chicago; it will be noted this number was called from subject's residence on November 13, 1960, person to person to KAVNER. Chicago Division further advised that AT 5-9198 is listed to [redacted] with his residential address recorded as [redacted] [redacted] it will be noted this number was called from Subject's residence on November 18, 1960, person to person to [redacted].

The Minneapolis Division reported that FR 4-1654 is a residential service for [redacted] [redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota; which individual reportedly not identifiable in city directory; this number was called from subject's residence on November 3, 1960, with person to person call for [redacted] Minneapolis Division further advised that WA 6-0062 is a residential telephone for ROBERT B. MILLER, 4222 Basswood Road, St. Louis Park, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which individual identified in City Directory as an accountant with Employers Overload, 1400 Foshay Tower, Minneapolis; this number was called on November 4, 1960, from subject's residence, person to person for [redacted].

CI OM T-2 on February 9, 1961, advised that Omaha Telephone 346-6410 is listed to [redacted] Omaha; call from subject's residential telephone made to this number on November 22, 1960, person to person to [redacted].

The Las Vegas Division advised that telephone DU 4-6350 is listed to the Stardust Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. In this connection CI OM T-2 advised that room 1262 at the Stardust Hotel, Las Vegas was occupied by [redacted] [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, from October 24, to October 28, 1960.

The Detroit Division provided information that Detroit, Michigan telephone number is listed to the Statler Hilton Hotel, Detroit.

The Indianapolis Division provided information that Fort Wayne, Indiana, telephone ANthony 7364 is listed to the Fort Wayne Glass Company.


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(3) Associates Background.

Set out below are names, background information and available data pertaining to persons recently identified as associates of subject, who have not previously been reported on under this caption, or to add pertinent data to that already furnished. If not otherwise specified, source of information set forth appears elsewhere in this report.

~~LOUIS J. BECKERMAN~~, aka  
~~Lou Beckerman~~  
~~2222 Hoagland~~  
~~Fort Wayne, Indiana~~  
FBI 192424D

Subject has personally met with BECKERMAN in Omaha on several occasions in early 1961 and has maintained telephone contact with him during same period. Credit and criminal sources in Fort Wayne, Indiana, disclose BECKERMAN to be Manager of the Fort Wayne Glass Company, formerly known as the Globe Glass Company. Record clear in Fort Wayne where arrived in 1957 from Detroit, Michigan. Detroit Police Department arrested BECKERMAN on April 20, 1954, on arson charges; disposition unknown. Described as white male born November 20, 1906, 5'4, 155, iron gray hair, hazel eyes, wife -

  
Chicago, Illinois

  
Check dated December 21, 1960, for \$1000.00 payable to subject was written by and drawn on  personal checking account in Bank of Chicago. 4620 North Sheridan is office building housing the Cosmopolitan Insurance Company and the Oberndorff Associates, Inc. No other information available.

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(4) Hoodlum Associations, Kansas City, Missouri

CI OM T-3 advised on March 3, 1961, that he, T-3, is well acquainted with the criminal element in Kansas City, Missouri, and with LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, and is of the opinion that FARRELL has connections with a Kansas City north side group known as "The Clique". He stated he recalled an incident involving [redacted] of Kansas City in which [redacted] was requested by [redacted] of "The Clique" to deliver a package to LEW FARRELL in Des Moines. He stated [redacted] had been assured the package did not contain narcotics and that [redacted] had been of the opinion the package contained currency. T-3 stated [redacted] did deliver the package to FARRELL in Des Moines and was paid \$1000.00 by [redacted] for making this delivery. T-3 stated there is a night spot at 39th and Main, Kansas City, which is a regular hangout for members of "The Clique" and that FARRELL is known to have met members of this group at that location.

CI OM T-4 on March 3, 1961, advised he is well acquainted in Kansas City, Missouri, with the criminal element and is also acquainted with LEW FARRELL of Des Moines. T-4 stated FARRELL is closely associated with a group in Kansas City known as "The Clique," which group in T-4's opinion is closely associated with the Teamsters Union. T-4 stated he had no knowledge of any criminal activities by FARRELL.

In regard to information previously furnished regarding [redacted] both from Kansas City, Missouri and allegedly associated with subject, the Kansas City Division on March 22, 1961, advised that sources of that office have furnished no information indicating [redacted] are known associates of subject; further that both are known criminals who associate with the younger criminal element in Kansas City and are not known to be close contacts with any of the hoodlum leads in Kansas City.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

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- (1) Center Construction Company  
222 South 16th Street  
Omaha, Nebraska

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Information was previously reported that CI OM T-6 had advised on February 21, 1961, that he had learned that about two weeks previously FARRELL had visited one [redacted] at which time [redacted] had given FARRELL \$1000.00 in cash, further that this sum was either a "gift" or a "loan" and that it was not the first time [redacted] had provided money to FARRELL. T-6 at that time had advised it was his understanding that [redacted] was connected with the Central Construction Company, 2301 Cuming Street, Omaha.

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It should be noted that CI OM T-5 advised on March 9, 1961, that he is well acquainted with [redacted] who is identical to one [redacted] formerly associated with the Central Construction Company, but currently Vice President of the Center Construction Company, 222 South 16th Street, Omaha.

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It should be further noted that information previously furnished regarding captioned firm has disclosed that its President is one [redacted] that [redacted] is one of the individuals frequently observed in company with FARRELL in Omaha and that information is available reflecting that a check dated October 22, 1957, for \$1000.00 was made payable to LEW FARRELL, drawn on the account of the Center Construction Company and signed [redacted]

- (2) World Wide Distributing Company  
215 Third Street  
Des Moines, Iowa.

As has been previously reported and currently set forth in instant report, subject in his travels, has been identifying himself as a representative of the World Wide Distributing Company of Des Moines; it has also been reported that when in the offices of that company he acts as a person in authority; it has also been noted that numerous personal checks on the FARRELL checking account have been cashed by that concern.

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In the Des Moines Register newspaper, issue of May 5, 1961, an article appeared which reported that a bid had been approved in Polk County District Court, Des Moines, at a receivership hearing following the appointment of a receiver in March, 1961, for the World Wide Distributing Company. The article stated the company had admitted debts approximating \$100,000.00. Court appointed receiver was identified as JOHN NEIMAN. LOUIS POMERANTZ was identified as the President of the firm.

(3) Sanitary Disposal Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

To be noted under above caption is information set forth in detail elsewhere in instant report that in March and April, 1961, there were deposited into the checking account of subject's wife two checks from [redacted] previously identified as the President of the Sanitary Disposal Company. The checks were made payable to subject and were in amounts of \$2500.00 and \$1000.00.

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(4) ~~Courtesy Storm Window Corporation~~  
~~3949 West Schubert Avenue~~  
~~Chicago, Illinois.~~

Numerous telephone calls have been recorded from subject to captioned firm; most or all presumably to subject's brother, FRANK FRATTO, known to be associated with this company. In view contacts and relationship, inquiry made May 9, 1961, of Dun and Bradstreet, Chicago, Illinois, regarding captioned firm. Results, summarized are as follows:

Incorporated June 13, 1956; majority of stock believed owned by Barney Rosciano and Frank Fratto. Directors and Officers are BEN (BARNEY) ROSCIANO, President; JACK SPEAR, Vice President; FRANK FRATTO, Secretary and Treasurer. Concern is active in manufacture and distribution of aluminum storm windows and doors. The foregoing officers and directors are reportedly officers and/or directors in other corporations named as follows: Associated Jalousie Manufacturer, Inc.; Courtesy Storm Door Corporation; Multi Panel Door Corporation; Crown Wholesale Nursery Company.

(5) Financial Matters

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Date April 4, 1961

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Information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Des Moines, Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum  
issued to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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by Special Agent [REDACTED]:mdr/kcc Date dictated 3/30/61

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G. TRAVEL

(1) At Omaha, Nebraska January 13-14, 1961

As previously provided, subject, along with [redacted] and [redacted] both of [redacted] Indiana, were registered at the Town House, Omaha, Nebraska in Suite 28, on January 13, 1961, and checked out on January 14, 1961. During this period a telephone call was made to Elkhorn, Nebraska number 3444.

CI OM T-1 advised this number registered to the Atkins Mobile Home Ranch, 17400 Dodge Street, Elkhorn, Nebraska.

In this connection CI OM T-7 advised on February 3, 1961, that John Atkins of the Atkins Mobile Home Ranch, Elkhorn, Nebraska, apparently has some connection or knowledge of a land deal involving [redacted] of Omaha whereby [redacted] had recently sold some land near Eppley Field in Omaha for a very large sum of money. T-7 stated that LEW FARRELL had informed ATKINS that [redacted] owed FARRELL \$10,000.00 and for this reason FARRELL was very much interested in the transaction and had been talking to various persons about the sale of the land. T-7 on February 10 further advised that FARRELL had been in Omaha on February 9, 1961, and at that time had learned that [redacted] had received an \$11,000.00 down payment on the sale of the land; T-7 stated that FARRELL had expressed satisfaction at hearing this news and had indicated he would now get some money from [redacted]

(2) At Omaha, Nebraska, January 27, 1961.

CI OM T-8 on February 20, 1961, advised that LEW FARRELL had registered at the Town House Motel, Omaha on January 27, 1961 as representing the World Wide Distributing Company; the room being billed to LOU BECKERMAN.

(3) At Omaha, Nebraska, February 8-9, 1961.

As previously reported subject was observed in Omaha, Nebraska, on the evening of February 8, 1961.



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CI OM T-8 advised on February 8, 1961, that LEW FARRELL had a reservation at the Town House for the evening of February 8, 1961.

On February 9, 1961, CI OM T-9 advised that LEW FARRELL was planning on flying from Omaha to Des Moines at 9:30 p.m. February 9, 1961 on United Air Lines Flight 608.

T-8 advised that FARRELL had registered as representing the World Wide Distributing Company on February 8, 1961, and that on that same day had made a call to Lincoln, Nebraska, telephone number HE 2-6601.

It was ascertained that HE 2-6601 is listed to the Hotel Lincoln, 147 North 9th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. CI OM T-10 advised that PETER CAPELLUPO is a permanent resident of the Hotel Lincoln, having occupied Room 211 since January, 1961.

Additional information as to FARRELL's activities in Omaha on or about February 8, 9, 1961, is set forth above under Travel information pertaining to January 13, 14, 1961.

(4) At Omaha, Nebraska, February 22-23, 1961.

As previously reported subject was scheduled to depart Des Moines, Iowa, on February 22, 1961, on United Air Lines Flight 627 at 10:20 a.m. for Omaha, Nebraska.

CI OM T-8 advised that LEW FARRELL had registered at the Town House in the name of LEW FARRELL, providing address of 213 Third, Des Moines, Iowa, and as a representative of World Wide Distributing Company. FARRELL was provided with Room 31 and checked out on February 23, 1961. During this period long distance telephone calls were made on February 22, 1961, to Des Moines telephone AT 2-5937 and to Fort Wayne, Indiana, telephone A 7364.

It will be noted above Des Moines telephone number is subject's residential telephone and that above Fort Wayne, Indiana, number has been identified as that of the Fort Wayne Glass Company.

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(5) At Omaha, Nebraska March 13-14, 1961.

CI OM T-8 on April 4, 1961, advised that records of the Town House Motel, Omaha reflect that LEW FARRELL, 213 - 3rd, Des Moines, Iowa, representing World Wide Distributing Company, had registered in Room 28 on March 13, 1961, and had checked out March 14, 1961. With him in the same room were [redacted] Indiana, representing Ft. Wayne Glass, Inc., and [redacted], same Ft. Wayne address and company. [redacted] also registered March 13, 1961, and left March 14, 1961.

All charges to the room were made to [redacted] on his American Express Credit Card No. [redacted]

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Following long distance calls were made from Room 28:

March 13	to Council Bluffs, 323-8326;
March 13	to Des Moines, AM 64191;
March 13	to Denver, DE 3-9984, to a [redacted]
March 14 & 14 & 14	to Des Moines, AT 2-5937 (3 calls);
March 14	to Detroit, LA 75556;
March 14	to Des Moines, AT 8-0049. (Ralph's Parking Lot)

30 local calls were made from Room 28 on March 13 and 14. None of the numbers called known.

It will be noted that Des Moines number AM 6-4191 is listed to [redacted] Des Moines, a local bondsman.

The criss-cross directory of Council Bluffs, Iowa, reflects that Council Bluffs telephone number 323-8326 is listed to the Construction and Central Laborer's Local, 240 Vine Street. It may be noted that this is also the headquarters of Laborer's Local 1140 and that [redacted] previously identified as a FARRELL acquaintance is business agent of this latter local.

(6) Personally Owned Automobile

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On April 12, 1961, there was observed by SA [redacted] [redacted] in the driveway of 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa, a 1959 tan Plymouth Station Wagon, four-door body style bearing 1961 Iowa license plates 77-89289.

On April 12, 1961, review of the Iowa Motor Vehicle Bureau records disclosed 1961 Iowa license issued March 17, 1961, on a 1959 four-door Plymouth Station Wagon, SN M276123268, property of CARMELLA T. FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa. Records reflect a lien against this vehicle placed May 8, 1959, by the Commercial Credit Corporation for \$3206.16.

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URGENT 5-25-61 10-13 AM CST EE

TO- DIRECTOR, FBI 92-3185

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A I R T E L

To: SAC, Omaha (92-74)

From: Director, FBI (92-3185)

LEW FARRELL, aka;  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Reference is made to the reports of SA [ ]  
[ ] dated 5/24/61 and 6/1/61.

Omaha report of 6/1/61 sets forth information furnished by T-3 which is inconsistent with information attributed to T-3 in the report of 5/24/61.

Advise if information in report of 6/1/61 is the result of refreshed recollection of the informant. However, if it appears that the informant has changed the information concerning the delivery of the package from Presta to the subject, the fact that he was hostile during the latter interviews, as reflected in the administrative pages, should be set forth on the FD-302.

Dissemination of the report of 6/1/61 is being withheld pending your reply. Submit appropriate amended pages by return mail.

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Miss Gandy	_____

NOTE On 3/3/61 OM T-3 stated [ ] received \$1,000 from [ ] of the Kansas City clique, for delivery of package to subject. On 5/24/61 T-3 stated package picked up from Farrell and delivered to [ ] at the latter's request.

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Reporting Office <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>5/29/61</b>	Investigative Period <b>3/21/61 - 5/26/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		Report made by SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	Typed By: <b>pe</b>
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## Synopsis:

## REFERENCES:

Report of SA  at Omaha dated 1/17/61.  
 Omaha letter to Kansas City 2/14/61. (Interoffice)  
 Kansas City letter to Omaha 3/22/61. (Interoffice)  
 Bureau letter to Omaha 5/19/61.  
 Omaha teletype to Kansas City 5/24/61. (Interoffice)  
 Report of SA  dated 5/24/61 at Omaha.

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## ENCLOSURES:

TO OMAHA DIVISION:

One photograph of 

## LEADS:

Approved <i>W. M. Felt</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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2 - Kansas City (92-177)			

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OMAHA DIVISION:

At Des Moines, Iowa

If it is felt [ ] and [ ] may have some connection with subject, photograph of [ ] should be displayed to RICHARD GLENN LONG to determine if he is identical with one [ ] connected with the Biltmore Sales Company, Kansas City, Missouri. It is to be noted this is an extremely old photograph, a later photograph not being available.

At Omaha, Nebraska

It is to be noted [ ] and [ ] in Omaha report 5/24/61, report FARRELL is closely associated with members of "The Clique" in Kansas City. [ ] reported a night spot at 39th and Main, Kansas City, Missouri is a regular hangout of "The Clique" and that FARRELL has been known to have met members of this group at this location. [ ] is very well acquainted in Kansas City, having frequented this area for many years. He probably knows the exact location, as well as the identity of the owner of nearly every prominent night spot in Kansas City. [ ] should be reinterviewed for specific information as to the location and ownership of any night spots which they know to be frequented by Clique members, the identity of such Clique members, and which Clique members FARRELL is known to have associated with at such night spots. [ ] should be specifically interviewed as to the exact location of the night spot he refers to as being at 39th and Main, Kansas City, Missouri.

KANSAS CITY DIVISION:

At Kansas City, Missouri

Interview [ ] who are acquainted with subject to determine the identity of individuals in Kansas City who may be associated with FARRELL and the location of any hangouts of the criminal element known to have been frequented by FARRELL. These two CIs have not been available for recent interview.

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T-1 Former [ ] to SA [ ] instant report

T-2 [ ] PCI, to SA [ ] instant report

T-3 [ ] PCI 7/23/57 to SA [ ]

T-4 [ ] PCI 2/17/59 to SAs [ ]  
and [ ]

T-5 [ ] to SA [ ]

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Copy to:

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: KANSAS CITY

Date:

5/29/61

Field Office File No.: KC 92-177

Bureau File No.: 92-3185

Title:

LEW FARRELL

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Investigation to date fails to substantiate information reportedly furnished by RICHARD GLENN LONG that LEW FARRELL and others of Des Moines, Iowa met weekly with Kansas City hoodlums at pizza place, 46th and Troost, Kansas City, Missouri. FARRELL not known to have associated with Kansas City element known as "The Clique" at a regular hangout in area 39th and Main, Kansas City, Missouri.

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## DETAILS:

It is noted that Chief of Police HOWARD EIDE, Des Moines, Iowa on December 28, 1960, reported information as coming from one RICHARD GLENN LONG, a confessed burglar that a meeting occurs every Thursday evening at a pizza place located at 56th and Truste, (Troost), Kansas City, Missouri between certain "hoodlums" from Kansas City and certain "hoodlums" from Des Moines. Those from Des Moines were reportedly identified as [REDACTED] NORRIS OPPENHEIM, LEW FARRELL, [REDACTED] and LONG.

The Omaha Office on February 14, 1961, advised that LONG on interview denied having furnished the above information but stated he had made references to [REDACTED] OPPENHEIM, and [REDACTED] and that these three were in

communication with a fence in Kansas City. He admitted knowing FARRELL but claimed he had no knowledge that FARRELL was connected with fencing operations between Des Moines and Kansas City. He further claimed to have been brought into contact with Kansas City fences he knew as [ ] and [ ] reportedly worked for [ ] at the Biltmore Sales Company located at 12 or 13th and Baltimore, but which has now been located on Mc Gee Street in Kansas City.

At Kansas City, Missouri

A visual examination as well as a check of directory records reveal that there are only two restaurants known as Pizza restaurants between the 3600 and 6000 blocks on Troost in Kansas City, Missouri. These two are the Pizza Villa, 3549 Troost, phone VA 1-6800, owned by [ ] and the Capri Pizza, 4709 Troost, phone VA 1-3355, owned by [ ]. It was noted that the Inferno Cocktail Lounge 4040 Troost is listed under the co-ownership of [ ].

KC T-1 on April 1, 1961, advised that he has been in close contact with nearly all members of the more prominent of the criminal element in Kansas City for many years and that while [ ] and [ ] are undoubtedly well acquainted with most of the prominent members of the criminal element in Kansas City, particularly those of the Italian criminal element, he has never known their business establishments to be the site of any regular meetings for fences or other members of this element. He advised that he had been in their places of business on numerous occasions over the past three year period but had noted nothing that would indicate these places were being frequented by fences more than any other similar establishments in this area.

KC T-1 advised on April 1, 1961, he is acquainted with [ ] and while it is generally known among the criminal element that he will fence stolen merchandise he has not personal knowledge of any particular items of stolen merchandise that has been fenced to [ ]. KC T-1 advised he is not acquainted with [ ] or LEW FARRELL.

KC T-2, who has been closely associated with the majority of the criminal element in Kansas City for many years advised on May 26, 1961, that although he has no personal knowledge of any stolen merchandise that has been sold to [redacted] or the Biltmore Sales Company, [redacted] has the reputation of being a fence of small items of stolen merchandise. He advised that he did not believe [redacted] would fence large quantities of valuable stolen merchandise although he seems to have considerable money and is occasionally observed gambling in the "big games" at the Produce Club in Kansas City, Missouri. KC T-2 advised he is not acquainted with LEW FARRELL or known thieves or fences from Nebraska and Iowa. He advised that he is acquainted with the owners and has occasionally frequented the Pizza Villa, Capri Pizza and the Inferno Cocktail Lounge on Troost Avenue but that these places are not known to be prominent hangouts for fences or well-known members of the criminal element.

Dun and Bradstreet records reflect a report dated November 29, 1960, regarding the Biltmore and Company, 2612 Mc Gee Trafficway formerly located at 1103 Broadway, both Kansas City, Missouri owned by [redacted]. Such records reflect the following information:

Modest volume transacted but full financial details not supplied.

Finance: November 28, 1960, [redacted] declined statement. Others consulted report cash fluctuating three to low four figures; accounts receivable reported near \$4,000; inventory near \$15,000; fixtures and equipment over \$1,000; accounts payable reported in the middle four figures, portion reported past due. Check of public records reveal no chattel mortgages on file. It has been reported that owes former partner on a note however, complete details have been withheld.

Sales for 1959 reported held generally steady with 1958, over \$50,000 with profits retained after withdrawals, estimated in the moderate to middle three figures. Volume to date for 1960 steady with 1959.

Operation: Wholesales general merchandise, including lamps, statues, radios, novelties, and premium items to jobbers and dealers in Kansas and Missouri. Sales are five percent cash, remainder 30 days terms. Two employed.

Location: Rents several hundred square feet.

History: Style unregistered used buying. Ownership acknowledged orally by [redacted] November 28, 1960. Started 1956, [redacted] with \$16,000 capital derived from sale of former business. November 1, 1956, [redacted] admitted to equal partnership, but April 12, 1958, [redacted] purchased [redacted] interest giving him a note.

[redacted] born [redacted] Missouri, married, [redacted] graduated University of Kansas City. [redacted] American Beauty Macaroni Company, Kansas City, Missouri, [redacted] U. S. Air Force. 1946-48 [redacted] liquor store with moderate success: [redacted] with LOUIS FERRO and [redacted] La Salle Drug Company, Kansas City, Missouri, [redacted] partnership with FERRO in Excel Drugs, Kansas City, Missouri. [redacted] sold interest to FERRO for low five figure consideration. 1952-56 owner of Patrick's Buick Company, Iola, Kansas antecedents favorable. December 1958 business (Biltmore and Company) moved from 1109 Broadway to 1103 Broadway and during November 1960 moved to 2612 McGee, Kansas City, Missouri.

Fire Record:

An explosion and subsequent fire on June 25, 1958 destroyed building and contents of store at 1109 Broadway. Loss estimated \$30,000 and insurance carried of \$15,000. Interviewed November 26, 1958, [redacted] stated collected \$15,000 insurance on loss.

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City as furnished to IC [redacted] on March 27, 1961, reflect [redacted] and wife [redacted] reside at [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri. They formerly resided at [redacted] Kansas. In 1952 [redacted] reportedly [redacted] in the Excel Drug Store, 200 West 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Subject's [redacted]

[redacted] (1/3 interest) upon her death. Stock is in American Beauty Macaroni Company.

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Records of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department reflect that [redacted] a drug store [redacted] or [redacted] a white male. height [redacted] weight [redacted] pounds had resided at [redacted] was arrested for traffic violations only between the periods May 14, 1938 and February 6, 1951 on four occasions.

Kansas City, Missouri directories reflect [redacted] premium stamps operated the Biltmore and Company, 1103 Broadway in 1959 and in 1961 the Biltmore Company, 2612 McGee, phone VI 2-8057. The telephone directory for 1961 reflects [redacted] [redacted], phone [redacted]

The telephone number [redacted] which according to information furnished by the Omaha office on February 14, 1961, is the number of one [redacted] who works at the Biltmore Sales Company, is according to the 1961 Kansas City telephone directory listed to [redacted] [redacted] Kansas City, Kansas.

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City as of March 27, 1961, as furnished IC [redacted] reflect [redacted] wife [redacted] [redacted] Kansas City, Kansas in 1955 [redacted] and seller in partnership with [redacted] shipping to the Dixon Commission Company. He [redacted] tavern, 318 Shawnee for a number. Also the Sedalia Trading Post Furniture [redacted] several years [redacted] [redacted] Previously in restaurant business to [redacted] years at 726 Simpson in partnership with [redacted] [redacted] May, 1958 worked for Danel Panots as [redacted] He reportedly married [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted]

Records of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department reflect a record of one [redacted] birth date [redacted] a white male. height [redacted], weight [redacted] pounds, residing at [redacted] Kansas City, Kansas. He was arrested February 6, 1936 for investigation of robbery and released on February 8, 1936, for robbery on which he received a [redacted] year sentence to the Missouri State Prison.

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During a separate investigation in Kansas City, Missouri in connection with efforts to locate RICHARD GLENN LONG, who was being sought in early 1961 on a burglary warrant outstanding in Iowa, [redacted] and [redacted] when interviewed by members of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department denied knowing LONG.

KC T-1 and KC T-2 reported they had never heard the name of LEW FARRELL mentioned as being connected with fencing activities in Kansas City.

KC T-3 on July 23, 1957, advised that [redacted] [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri is probably engaged in fencing activities with one [redacted]

KC T-4 on February 17, 1959 reported that [redacted] a small jewelry shop on Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri where he handles "hot" jewelry.

KC T-5 who is acquainted with fencing activities, advised on January 2, 1961, that this company (Baltimore and Company) does deal in stolen merchandise and keeps such items of merchandise as electrical appliances, watches, and jewelry. KC T-5 reported he has observed [redacted] a known Kansas City, Missouri police character often at this place. He stated he has no knowledge of any valuable items of merchandise this company has fenced and does not know the operators.

The Omaha Office on May 24, 1961, reported that information had been received that LEW FARRELL is alleged to associate with members of a Kansas City group known as "The Clique" which meets at 39th and Main, Kansas City, Missouri.

According to confidential and other sources of the Kansas City Division the term "Clique" is used to describe the Italian criminal organization in Kansas City. This organization is alleged to be headed by [redacted] and [redacted] who operate the Roma Bakery and their orders are reportedly enforced by [redacted] [redacted] were Apalachian attendees. This organization allegedly controls gambling, engages in fencing activities and controls the Italian criminal element.

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Investigations fail to reflect that there are any known prominent hangouts for "Clique" members and their associates in the vicinity of 39th and Main Street in Kansas City, Missouri. It is to be noted that ANTONIO's Pizzeria #1 is located at 4231 Main and one of the co-owners is THOMAS ANTHONY CIVELLA, nephew of NICHOLAS CIVELLA. Confidential informants have regularly reported this establishment is frequented after hours by many of the prominent figures of the Italian criminal element. NICHOLAS CIVELLA, his brother [ ] and other prominent members of the Italian criminal element have been repeatedly observed here by FBI Agents and other sources during the past three years.

KC T-1 who during 1958, 1959, and 1960 reported on almost a daily basis the identity of those of the criminal element or the description of strangers associated with this element, frequenting the Pizzeria #1 and other prominent hangouts, furnished no information or descriptive data that would indicate LEW FARRELL had been observed at these locations associating with leaders of the Italian criminal element during that period.

[ ] (FBI [ ]), [ ]  
on March 21, 1961, and [ ] (FBI [ ]),  
[ ] on March 22, 1961, both denied knowing LEW  
FARRELL. [ ] are well known police  
characters and both are close associates of NICHOLAS  
CIVELLA and other prominent members of the Italian criminal  
element.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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*In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.*

Title            LEW FARRELL, aka

Character       ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference       Report of SA [REDACTED]  
dated 5/29/61 at Kansas City

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All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

KC T-2, KC T-3, and KC T-4 have furnished insufficient information to judge their reliability.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : MR. R. O. L'ALLIER

DATE: June 12, 1961

FROM : P. D. PUTNAM

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Referral/Consult

RECOMMENDATION:

In light of instructions set forth in SAC Letter Number 61-31, dated June 6, 1961, restricting dissemination of reports under the Criminal Intelligence Program to the Department, it is recommended this memorandum be referred to the Special Investigative Division for issuance of instructions to the Omaha Office to prepare suitable communication concerning subject and his wife for dissemination to Des Moines District of IRS.

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1-Mr. Staffeld  
 1-Mr. Putnam  
 1-Liaison

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AT to 6A  
 6-13-61  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>OMAHA</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>6/1/61</b>	Investigative Period <b>5/25 - 31/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka.</b>		Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 150px;"></div>	Typed By: <b>mrh</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

## REFERENCES

Report of SA  dated 5/24/61 at Omaha.  
Bulet to Omaha 5/19/61.  
Omaha teletype to Kansas City 5/24/61 (IO).  
Omaha teletype to Bureau 5/24/61.

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## LEADS

## OMAHA

AT DES MOINES, IOWA, and OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Will cover leads set forth in re Omaha report.

Approved <i>TJG</i>	Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
Copies made:  (3) - Bureau (92-3185) (AMSD) 3 - Omaha (92-74) (1- 92-67)  <i>CC to Dir: 6-19-61</i> <i>cc 4710</i>		<b>92-3185-84</b>	<b>REC-26</b>
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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T- symbols have been used only where identities must be concealed.

T-3 is [ ] to SA HAROLD I. HELGESEN in instant report.

T-4 is [ ] to SA HAROLD I. HELGESEN in instant report.

T-6 is [ ] to SA [ ] in instant report.

T-10 is [ ] to SA [ ] in instant report.

T-11 is [ ] Des Moines Tribune newspaper, to SA [ ] in instant report.

T-13 is [ ] to SA [ ] in instant report.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Both [ ] and [ ] were [ ] Ft. Madison, Iowa, and both had a hostile attitude and stated they would furnish no further information.

Investigative results set forth in instant report were obtained by investigation conducted in response to re Bulet and to specific investigation requested in a Department letter of 5/11/61, copy of which enclosed with re Bulet and which, briefly stated, requested investigation in regard to four matters: (1) allegation that FARRELL associated with a group of burglars and fences in Kansas City, Missouri; (2) payment of \$1,000.00 to FARRELL by an official of an Omaha firm; (3) allegations re political activities by FARRELL, particularly in regard to channeling of campaign contributions from labor unions through FARRELL to candidates; (4) FARRELL's activities in behalf of TOMMY LEONETTI, a popular singer.

Investigation conducted was limited in scope to requests of the Department.

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Copy to:

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: OMAHA

Date:

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Field Office File No.:

OM 92-74

Bureau File No.:

92-3185

Title:

LEW FARRELL

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Source now states delivered package from FARRELL to [REDACTED] in Kansas City, instead of from [REDACTED] to FARRELL, as previously reported. There is no known association or tie-up between FARRELL and TOMMY LEONETTI, a popular singer. Interviews fail to show that FARRELL had anything to do in channeling campaign contributions from labor unions to political candidates. [REDACTED] President, Center Construction Co., Omaha, Nebraska, states he has been friendly with subject and gave subject \$1,000 check 10/22/57 as a loan; states loan never repaid. Denied FARRELL ever did anything for him to induce the loan. [REDACTED] stated he expects repayment and that FARRELL has indicated he will repay. [REDACTED] Vice President, Center Construction Co., said joined company 1/59. Advised he knows subject only casually as friend of [REDACTED]. Denies ever giving or loaning money to subject personally or from Center Construction Co. Original source of info that subject claimed to have made pro-NIXON trips for HOFFA fall of 1960 has no additional info re FARRELL's activities 1960 presidential campaign. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

Lettered and numbered headings and subheadings in this report, as well as captions and subheadings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

C. ASSOCIATES

(1) Hoodlum Associations, Kansas City, Missouri

Information has been furnished previously to the effect that subject has had some association with a group of the criminal element in the Kansas City, Missouri, north side known as "The Clique" and to the effect that on one occasion one [redacted] delivered a package, contents unknown, to FARRELL at the request of [redacted] a member of "The Clique," and was paid \$1,000.00 by [redacted] for making the delivery.

Date June 1, 1961b6  
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Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 was re-interviewed and advised he recalled the incident involving [redacted] of Kansas City in which [redacted] was requested by [redacted] to pick up a package from LEW FARRELL and return it to [redacted]. T-3 insisted he did not say that [redacted] delivered the package from [redacted] to FARRELL. He said that [redacted] did just this one job for these people as a favor and was paid \$1,000.00 for this trip.

He stated that [redacted] also claimed he had never attended a meeting of "The Clique" and was, therefore, not aware of what transpired at these meetings.

T-3 exhibited a hostile attitude during this interview and stated he would furnish no further information.

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On 5/26/61 at Fort Madison, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA HAROLD I. HELGESEN:ih Date dictated 5/27/61

Date June 1, 1961

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 was reinterviewed on May 26, 1961, and declined to answer any questions relative to LEW FARRELL, or his association with him.

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On 5/26/61 at Fort Madison, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA HAROLD L. HELGESSEN:mch Date dictated 5/27/61

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(2) Regarding TOMMY LEONETTI

Mr. LEO SARCONI, partner, Sarcone Publishing Company, 1139 - 24th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, publisher of "The American Citizen," a weekly newspaper devoted primarily to persons of Italian descent, on May 26, 1961, advised he had been aware for several years that LEW FARRELL appeared to have more than a casual interest in the success of TOMMY LEONETTI. He stated he recalled about two or three years ago, FARRELL reportedly was telephoning various disk jockeys in Des Moines asking that they play some particular record of LEONETTI's. He stated he recalled there was talk then among the Italian population of Des Moines and general wonder then as to why FARRELL was so interested in LEONETTI.

SARCONI stated he is well acquainted among the Italian population of Des Moines and has numerous relatives in Des Moines, including a first cousin residing next door to JOSEPH and [ ] LEONETTI, brother-in-law and sister of CARMELLA FARRELL, wife of the subject. He stated he had made inquiry to determine if possibly there was a family relation between the singer and the LEONETTI family in Des Moines. He stated results of his inquiry had been that none of his sources had ever heard any comment from any of the LEONETTIs that TOMMY LEONETTI was a relative. He stated he felt that if there were any traceable relationship it would have been only normal for someone in the LEONETTI family in Des Moines to have made a claim to be a relative of such a well-known person.

Records of the Iowa Bureau of Vital Statistics, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed May 26, 1961, reflect that Iowa marriage license 77-52-49132 records the marriage on December 4, 1921, in Des Moines, Iowa, of [ ] born in Crucoli, the son of [ ] to [ ] born in Des Moines, the daughter of [ ]

It will be noted that investigation previously conducted and reported in regard to the marriage of LEW FARRELL on June 9, 1945, to CARMELLA T. RANDA, disclosed her parents to be FRANK RANDA and JENNIE DE ANGELIS.



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Reference is made in this connection to records of the County Recorder, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, which reflects that on March 16, 1950, for the sum of \$8,000.00 paid by CARMELLA FARRELL, one [redacted] guardian of [redacted] incompetent, sold and conveyed to CARMELLA FARRELL, the following: Lot 205, Watrous Park, Plot 2.

It should be noted that the names [redacted] and [redacted] " as used by various Italian families in Des Moines do not necessarily denote separate families; information has been received from numerous sources that the different spellings have been developed in recent years by newer and younger generations and stem from the same family. It appears, therefore, that [redacted] wife of [redacted] is the sister of CARMELLA FARRELL, wife of the subject, and that subject is, therefore, a brother-in-law of [redacted] nee [redacted]

Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 on May 31, 1961, advised that TOMMY LEONETTI about three or four years ago appeared at the Colony Club about twice. This was on a singing engagement. FARRELL at the time attempted to persuade bars in both Omaha, Nebraska, and Des Moines, Iowa, to put records of LEONETTI in their juke boxes. He stated LEONETTI received some publicity that he was associated with the underworld at the time and dropped FARRELL. T-13 stated FARRELL was not named at the time as the associate of LEONETTI, but was always hanging around LEONETTI for the publicity he could gain. He did not believe FARRELL had any monetary interest in LEONETTI.

#### E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

##### (1) Political Activity

Confidential Informant Omaha T-11 reinterviewed on May 25, 1961, advised he was unable to add anything to information previously furnished by him in regard to a sum of \$50,000.00 presented to then Governor HERSCHEL LOVELESS of Iowa by LEW FARRELL during the campaign of 1958. He stated he had received this information from a hoodlum acquaintance of his whose identity he could not reveal and this source claimed to have been informed by FARRELL personally of this sum of money furnished by the Teamsters Union and delivered to LOVELESS by FARRELL. T-11 repeated that he had never heard anything to indicate FARRELL had attempted to assist LOVELESS in his campaign for the U. S. Senate in 1960.

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[redacted] Attorney, Harlan, Iowa, former Chairman State Central Committee of the Iowa Democratic Party, interviewed in Des Moines, Iowa, advised as follows:

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He has been casually acquainted with LEW FARRELL for many years. Until about July, 1958, he was the head of the Democratic Party in Iowa and closely associated with campaign efforts by HERSCHEL LOVELESS, former Governor of Iowa. He has no knowledge that LOVELESS or the LOVELESS campaign headquarters ever received any large sum of money from the Teamsters Union in 1958 and has no knowledge that LEW FARRELL was involved or associated with any contributions which may have been received from the Teamsters Union by LOVELESS or his campaign headquarters.

He pointed out that he [redacted] in the 1956 campaign by LOVELESS for Governor, had dealt with Teamsters Union official RICHARD KAVNER, in arranging for contributions by that organization to the LOVELESS campaign fund. He stated FARRELL had absolutely no connection with these arrangements, but subsequently had claimed credit for obtaining these funds for LOVELESS.

He stated he had broken relations with LOVELESS in July, 1958, and so had no first-hand knowledge of contributions to the LOVELESS campaign effort subsequent to July, 1958, but that he would doubt, first, that any large contributions were made by the Teamsters Union to LOVELESS and, second, that any contributions which might have been made would have been made by or through FARRELL. He commented that the Teamsters Union was displeased with LOVELESS for several reasons, including the LOVELESS treatment of MORE and that this would have had the tendency to lessen their contributions to LOVELESS. He stated he was positive that FARRELL has no official connection with the Teamsters Union and could not conceive of any reason why contributions by that union would be channeled through FARRELL rather than through an official of the union.

In regard to the 1960 campaign, [redacted] stated he had never heard anything which would indicate FARRELL had been active in support of LOVELESS in his campaign for the U. S. Senate, or in support of RICHARD NIXON in his campaign for the Presidency.

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In regard to FARRELL, [ ] stated that it is a dominant characteristic of FARRELL to claim or imply influence and acquaintance far beyond reality. He stated he could recall FARRELL informing him that he (FARRELL) knew so-and-so and could arrange various matters through this individual; later, [ ] stated, it would frequently develop that the individual referred to would not know FARRELL. It was true, [ ] stated, that FARRELL did know many people, but not to the extent and not with the type of influence with them that FARRELL would like people to believe. In other words, [ ] stated FARRELL is a braggart and a liar.

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[redacted] Assistant to the City Manager, Des Moines, Iowa, advised he was formerly employed as Administrative Assistant to HERSCHEL LOVELESS during LOVELESS' administration as Governor of Iowa. [redacted] stated he was associated in that capacity with LOVELESS from a point approximately midway in LOVELESS' first term as Governor, beginning in 1957, to the end of LOVELESS' term in December, 1960. [redacted] stated to the best of his knowledge, LEW FARRELL had never, in any way, been responsible for or associated or affiliated in any way with any contribution to LOVELESS or to the LOVELESS campaign funds.

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(2) Center Construction Company  
222 South 16th Street  
Omaha, Nebraska

It was previously set forth under above caption that Confidential Informant Omaha T-6 on February 21, 1961, had advised that FARRELL had recently received \$1,000.00 from [ ] identified as [ ], Vice President of captioned firm.

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Omaha T-6 on May 25, 1961, advised when he originally furnished this information on February 21, 1961, he had learned that about two weeks previously FARRELL had obtained the \$1,000.00 in cash. He stated he has not obtained any additional information concerning FARRELL's obtaining money from [ ]

Date May 31, 1961

[redacted] who resides at [redacted] Omaha, Nebraska, was contacted at the Center Construction Company, 2226 South 16th Street, Omaha. [redacted] advised [redacted] President of the Center Construction Company and has been the President of this company since 1953. He said [redacted] bought a half interest in the company in January, 1959, and has been Vice President since that time. He explained that his company does not do any actual construction work, but instead operates as a broker in getting construction and repair jobs and then sublets the construction work to other companies.

[redacted] said he met LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, about three and one-half to four years ago and that he believes he was introduced to FARRELL by [redacted] of Omaha. Shortly after he met FARRELL he received a long distance telephone call from him in Des Moines. [redacted] believes this would have been about October, 1957. FARRELL told [redacted] he wanted to see him right away if possible. FARRELL flew to Omaha and [redacted] met him at the airport and took him to his Omaha residence. FARRELL at that time asked [redacted] for a loan of \$1,000.00 "until after the holidays," indicating he would need the money only for a short period. [redacted] gave FARRELL a check for \$1,000.00 payable to FARRELL signed by [redacted] and drawn on the Center Construction Company account which he believed was in the U. S. National Bank, Omaha, at that time. [redacted] located a check stub which bore the date October 21, 1957, for check # [redacted] indicating a \$1,000.00 check to "Lew Ferrell."

[redacted] said he made the \$1,000.00 loan to FARRELL as a friend and partly based on the fact a mutual friend, [redacted] had introduced them. He said he fully expected FARRELL to repay him after the Christmas holidays, 1957, but that FARRELL has never repaid any part of the \$1,000.00. [redacted] said he sees FARRELL occasionally and although he has never asked FARRELL for repayment, FARRELL, himself, mentions the matter quite frequently stating he will repay the money as soon as he can. [redacted] said FARRELL gave him no note for the loan and that FARRELL put up no security of any kind. [redacted] said there was no consideration for the loan whatsoever, that FARRELL has never worked for him, or for the Center Construction Company, and has never done anything for him in any way which could be considered payment for the loan. [redacted] said he expects FARRELL to repay him sometime in the future.

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[ ] stated he has never given FARRELL any money except the \$1,000.00 mentioned above. He said he has never loaned him any cash. He said he was sure that [ ] Vice President of Center Construction Company, had never given him money or loaned any money to FARRELL at any time. [ ] denied knowing anything about FARRELL's business or how he makes a living. He said he is positive of one thing and that is FARRELL has no connection whatsoever with the Center Construction Company.

[ ] said he would be glad to cooperate in any way but that a review of his company's records would definitely not show any payments of any kind to FARRELL except the \$1,000.00 check in October, 1957.

Date May 31, 1961

[redacted] who resides at [redacted] Omaha, Nebraska, was contacted at the Center Construction Company, 2226 South 16th Street, Omaha. [redacted] said he joined the company in January, 1959, when he invested \$2,500.00 for a half interest. He said [redacted] President of the Center Construction Company, had operated the company as sole owner at the present location for about nine years prior to January, 1959. [redacted] advised he [redacted] prior to January, 1959, had been connected with the Central Construction Company of Omaha which is owned by [redacted] and [redacted]. He said [redacted]

[redacted] stated he knows LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, only casually as a friend of [redacted]. He said he has met FARRELL only two or three times since he met him in Omaha through [redacted] early in 1959. [redacted] denied ever giving or loaning FARRELL any money personally or from any company account with which he has been connected. He said FARRELL has never had any connection with the Center Construction Company and he knows of no payments of any kind having been made from the Center Construction Company or from [redacted] to LEW FARRELL. He further stated FARRELL has never worked for the Center Construction Company, to his knowledge, and has never received any commissions or payments of any kind.

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mrh Date dictated 5/31/61



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CI OM T-10 on May 29, 1961, advised he recalled that LEW FARRELL had told him in about October, 1960, that FARRELL had been traveling all over the United States setting up meetings to promote Vice President NIXON's campaign for the presidency. He said FARRELL told him he was working for JIMMY HOFFA in that connection and that he was not so much for NIXON as he was against Senator KENNEDY. OM T-10 said he had received no additional information concerning that matter.

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On May 31, 1961, Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 stated [redacted] of the Center Construction Company, Omaha, Nebraska, were friends of FARRELL. He did not know how close they were to FARRELL, but stated [redacted] was usually with the same group as FARRELL when FARRELL came to Omaha. He did not know if FARRELL ever obtained money from [redacted] T-13 stated he did hear about six months ago while in Des Moines at a bar that either [redacted] or [redacted] loaned FARRELL some money. He did not know when this loan was made or how much it was.



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Title LEW FARRELL, aka.

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Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Omaha report of SA [redacted]  
[redacted] dated 6/1/61.

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

T-3 and T-4 who have not been contacted a sufficient number of times to evaluate.

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 was re-interviewed and advised he recalled the incident involving [redacted] of Kansas City in which [redacted] was requested by [redacted] to pick up a package from LEW FARRELL and return it to [redacted]. T-3 insisted he did not say that [redacted] delivered the package from [redacted] to FARRELL. He said that [redacted] did just this one job for these people as a favor and was paid \$1,000.00 for this trip.

He stated that [redacted] also claimed he had never attended a meeting of "The Clique" and was, therefore, not aware of what transpired at these meetings.

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TO: SAC, Omaha (92-74)

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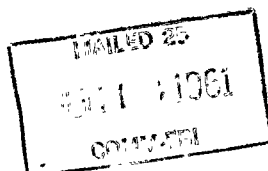
Omaha review files and prepare memorandum suitable for dissemination in accordance with instructions set out in SAC Letter 61-31 (H). Forward copies of dissemination memorandum to Bureau by 7/2/61. Advise IRS, Des Moines that memorandum being prepared.

NOTE Through Liaison, IRS headquarters requested written report of information in Bufiles concerning subject and wife for use in income tax investigation being conducted. We are currently conducting investigation of subject under Criminal Intelligence Program. Omaha being instructed to prepare dissemination memo.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185)

DATE: 6/1/61

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, aka.  
ANTI-RACKETEERINGb6  
b7cReBulet to Omaha 5/19/61 and report of SA [ ]  
[ ] dated 6/1/61 at Omaha.

Enclosed herewith are original and four copies of a letterhead memorandum for dissemination to the Department of Justice as a portion of the response to requests of the Department in their letter of 5/11/61 and recommended as a pertinent attachment to rerep.

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Omaha, Nebraska  
June 1, 1961

LEW FARRELL, aka.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to letter of May 11, 1961, to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation from EDWYN SILBERLING, Chief, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Criminal Division, in regard to captioned matter. Investigation requested in referenced letter has been conducted and is submitted in a report from the Omaha Division dated June 1, 1961.

Material in instant memorandum does not include any new investigative results, but rather is being provided as a means of clarifying, explaining or adding pertinent background material in regard to the various items referred to in referenced letter, as follows:

- (1) Referenced letter refers to Omaha report of March 22, 1961, page 11, and reference is made to information provided by RICHARD GLENN LONG regarding reports that FARRELL met with a group of burglars and fences in Kansas City on a regular, routine basis.

It will be noted that such information was first attributed to LONG in Omaha report of January 17, 1961, page 10, where it was stated that Chief of Police HOWARD EIDE, Des Moines, Iowa, Police Department, had advised that LONG had informed his department that meetings occurred every Thursday evening in Kansas City between certain hoodlums from Kansas City and certain hoodlums from Des Moines; the Des Moines hoodlums were named by LONG, according to Chief EIDE, and included LEW FARRELL.

In Omaha report of March 22, 1961, page 11, reference is made to this information by way of introduction to actual interview of LONG by SA  on

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Re: LEW FARRELL

January 14, 1961; results of this interview appear on page 12 of this same report, where it is stated that LONG admitted knowing FARRELL, but had no knowledge that FARRELL was connected with fencing operations between Kansas City and Des Moines, and no knowledge that FARRELL was participating in any meetings in Kansas City between other Des Moines hoodlums and Kansas City hoodlums.

It should be noted that interview with LONG on January 14, 1961, had negative results only insofar as the information pertaining to FARRELL was concerned. As stated on page 12, "...LONG verified and substantiated part of the information previously attributed to him in the Des Moines Police Department interview..." In this regard, LONG furnished considerable detail regarding his own operations and contacts with Kansas City fences and his knowledge of the fencing operations of other Des Moines hoodlums. This is noted to indicate that LONG did not refuse to provide information to SA [ ] thus implying that failure to provide information regarding FARRELL was part of a blanket refusal to talk. The reverse was true; LONG did appear cooperative and did provide information, but denied any knowledge regarding FARRELL, thus indicating that possibly the Des Moines Police Department report was erroneous.

In connection with the alleged story by LONG that FARRELL met regularly in Kansas City on every Thursday evening, it may be noted that an analysis of FARRELL's airline travel as set forth on pages 52-56 of Omaha report of September 23, 1960, and in subsequent reports, reflects that the number of FARRELL's airline trips to Kansas City in calendar year 1958 was one; in 1959 was two; in 1960 was three.

(2) Referenced letter in its second paragraph refers to page 14 of Omaha report of March 22, 1961, and information set forth therein regarding an alleged payment of \$1,000.00 to FARRELL by one [ ] identified as the boss or one of the bosses of the Central Construction Company, Omaha.

Reference is hereby made to Omaha report of May 24, 1961, page 9, wherein information previously furnished in this connection was corrected and amplified to reflect that



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[ ] had been identified as one [ ] formerly associated with the Central Construction Company, but currently Vice President of the Center Construction Company, Omaha. In this same report, also on page 9, it is noted that information had been previously furnished regarding the Center Construction Company and payments to FARRELL. It was noted that the President of that firm is one [ ] and that a check dated October 22, 1957, for \$1,000.00 was made payable to FARRELL, drawn on the account of that firm and signed [ ]. The Department is referred to Omaha report of September 23, 1960, page 40, for this information.

In regard to request in referenced letter for information as to determining how long ago these transactions began, how often they are made and whether they are continuing to the present time, reference is made to the continuing audit of FARRELL's checking account maintained at the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, since December 1, 1959, or for a period of the past eighteen months. During this period no checks traceable to the Center Construction Company or any official of that firm have been deposited into the FARRELL account. Numerous deposits in currency and silver have been made into this account, which deposits are not subject to identification as to source.

(3) Referenced letter in its third paragraph refers to page 25 of Omaha report of November 18, 1960, wherein Confidential Informant Omaha T-11 is quoted as stating he had heard that FARRELL had personally presented to Governor HERSCHEL LOVELESS a sum of money amounting to \$50,000.00 during 1958 and that FARRELL at that time was acting as an agent for the Teamsters Union.

It will be noted that T-11, interviewed again on May 25, 1961, advised that his source in this regard was an unidentified hoodlum who claimed to have been informed of this transaction by FARRELL himself.

In this regard, it should be noted that frequent comments have been made by acquaintances of FARRELL to the effect that FARRELL is inclined to lie in order to impress others with his own importance. Reference is made to Omaha report of September 23, 1960, page 57, wherein sources

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stated FARRELL is "95 per cent windbag and 5 per cent truth," and that "FARRELL likes to let people get the impression that he can do things and has influence, when in reality he does not have such influence."

Reference is also made to comments made by [ ] [ ] former Chairman of the State Central Committee of the Iowa Democratic Party, as set forth on pages 30 and 31, Omaha report of January 17, 1961, in which he recites several instances in which he had personal knowledge that FARRELL had no connection with incidents involving contributions and gifts to LOVELESS, but had claimed to be responsible for these items.



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Omaha, Nebraska  
June 29, 1961

LEW FARRELL, Aka Cockeyed Louis,  
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Lew F. Farrell, Louis Farrell, Louis  
Thomas Fratto Farrell, Lew Farelli,  
Louis Fratto, Louis Thomas Fratto,  
Luigi Thomas Fratto, Luigi Fratto  
(True Name), Luigi Tomaso Giuseppi  
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Information set forth herein pertains to captioned individual who resides at 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, and further identified as having been born July 17, 1907, at Chicago, Illinois, and as having as his wife one CARMELLA FARRELL, Nee Randa, and five minor children. Identified by subject FARRELL on August 30, 1960, as [REDACTED]

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In connection with investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, information has been developed relating to various funds received by FARRELL and/or deposited into either a joint checking account of FARRELL and his wife or into a checking account maintained in the name of his wife alone, or into a checking account maintained for a period of time in the name of a business operated by FARRELL, namely, "Hymie's Drive-In." Information has also been developed relating to expenses incurred by FARRELL in the form of travel, communications, or loan payments. It may be noted that investigation has not developed any information indicating that FARRELL and his family have any source of income outside the efforts of subject FARRELL himself. It may be noted, too, that the items of expense referred to would be in addition to the normal expenses incurred in maintaining a residence, an automobile, and supporting a family of seven individuals.

Information referred to has been set forth by calendar year. Where additional information is available which is pertinent to the various items listed, appropriate comments are included.

It should be noted that information obtained from such sources as banking institutions, airline companies, and communication companies is obtained only by subpoena duces tecum.

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (92-3185)

DATE: 6/14/61

FROM : SAC, Omaha (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, aka  
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[redacted] dated 6/1/61.

Enclosed herewith are three copies of amended page 3, which should be inserted in Bureau copies of reference report of SA [redacted] Omaha copies have been changed.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185)

DATE: 6/29/61

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, Aka  
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Enclosed herewith are the original and three copies of a Letterhead Memorandum incorporating information pertaining to income and expenditures of subject and wife during the period 1/1/56 - 12/31/60.

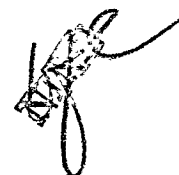
IRS, Des Moines, Iowa, advised Memorandum being prepared.

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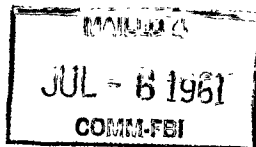
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Reurlet 6/29/61.

Two copies of letterhead memorandum pertaining to expenditures of subject and wife submitted with relet have been furnished to IRS headquarters. If not already done furnish copy to IRS at Des Moines. One copy of your letterhead memorandum is returned herewith.

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Reporting Office <b>OMAHA</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>7/26/61</b>	Investigative Period <b>6/1 - 7/13/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 1.2em; width: 150px;"></div>	Typed By: <b>db</b>
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## REFERENCES

Report of SA  dated 6/1/61 at Omaha.  
 Report of SA  dated 5/29/61 at Kansas City.  
 Kansas City airtel to Bureau dated 6/21/61 entitled "LEW FARRELL;  Alleged Contribution by Teamsters Union of Approximately \$125,000.00 Prior to 1960 Presidential Election, ELECTION LAWS."  
 Omaha letter to the Bureau dated 6/29/61.  
 Bureau letter to Omaha dated 7/6/61.  
 Omaha airtel to Chicago dated 7/5/61 (interoffice).

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## LEADS

### CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will identify subscribers to the following numbers and develop background information; will

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thereafter interview regarding subject unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted:

243-7818 called on 5/14/61 and 5/30/61;  
829-8220 called on 5/29/61;  
EF 9-4350 called on 6/21/61 from Town House, Omaha,  
Nebraska.

AT DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS. Will conduct similar investigation regarding telephone numbers:

299-3210 called on 5/14/61;  
299-2685 called on 5/28/61.

AT SKOKIE, ILLINOIS. Will conduct similar investigation regarding telephone number:

647-6622 called on 5/3/61 and 5/18/61.

AT ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS. (1) Will, in accordance with referenced Omaha airtel of 7/5/61, determine background of Midway Poultry and [ ] of that company in effort to determine why a check for \$14,500.00 was written by that company payable to CARMELLA FARRELL.

(2) Will, unless information is available indicating inadvisability of such interview, interview [ ] in an effort to determine connection between that company and subject. Will note interview must be sufficiently discreet to protect fact that source of information re this matter is subject's bank account.

KANSAS CITY

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. (1) Will furnish Omaha Division with additional pertinent information regarding subject as developed in the matter entitled "LEW FARRELL; [ ] [ ] Alleged Contribution by Teamsters Union of Approximately \$125,000.00 Prior to 1960 Presidential Election, ELECTION LAWS."



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(2) Will note in response to lead set forth in Kansas City report of 5/29/61 that [redacted] and [redacted] on reinterview attempt refused to furnish additional information.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago regarding telephone number JE 1-0761 at Miami, called 6/21/61 from subject's motel room, Town House, Omaha, Nebraska.

MILWAUKEE

AT WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN. Will note instant report discloses FARRELL reportedly has been in contact in recent past with three officials of the Altex Corporation, Waukesha, namely [redacted] attorney; [redacted] Will attempt to determine the reason for such association and, unless sufficient information to the contrary exists, will interview one or several of the above-named individuals to determine the reasons for the reported association.

OMAHA

AT DES MOINES, IOWA. (1) Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

(2) Will maintain contacts with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

(3) Will maintain liaison with Internal Revenue Service, Des Moines, to determine progress of that investigation and to obtain investigative leads as they may develop.

(4) Will, at the United Federal Savings and Loan Association, determine pertinent data regarding account #14656 and loan on 4701 Fleur Drive.

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AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago regarding telephone number 341-9821, noting call was to [ ] and that this has previously been established as an alias of subject.

INFORMANTS

OM T-1: [ ] to SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS as set forth in Kansas City airtel 6/22/61 entitled "LEW FARRELL; [ ] Alleged Contribution by Teamsters Union of Approximately \$125,000.00 Prior to 1960 Presidential Election, ELECTION LAWS," in 92-74-774.

OM T-2: [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, to SA [ ] in instant report.

OM T-3: [ ] to SA [ ] in 92-74-775.

OM T-4: PCI [ ] to SA [ ] in 92-74-777.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed, and T-symbols were utilized in this report in the instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Under caption "RICHARD GLENN LONG, aka, CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE," there was furnished by WFO airtel of 6/19/61 a letterhead memorandum incorporating results of interview by WFO Agents of LONG in Washington, D. C., on 6/13,14,15/61, during which interview LONG furnished alleged information regarding subject FARRELL. Bureau has been furnished copies of this material under above caption. Referenced WFO airtel instructed that the information contained in reairtel and memorandum was not to be disclosed outside the Bureau.

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In view of these instructions and the nature of the source of such information, namely RICHARD GLENN LONG, the material developed through interview with LONG is not being placed in the body of this report. In this regard, it may be noted that records of the Broadlawn Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, disclosed that LONG was a patient in their psychiatric clinic from 8/58 to 2/59, was thoroughly tested by staff physicians, and the results of such examinations revealed that LONG had a long history of lying, was diagnosed as a marked psychopathic deviate with extreme hysteria, that he had marked emotional immaturity, and lacked any sense of responsibility. In addition, on 6/14/61 [redacted] advised LONG had a reputation in Des Moines as a liar and as a person who did a great deal of talking about the matters he knew little about. b7D

In summary, LONG furnished information regarding FARRELL to the effect that FARRELL was connected with the Sanitary Disposal Company of Des Moines, Iowa, that FARRELL was connected with JAMES HOFFA of the Teamsters Union, that FARRELL had connections through which stolen property could be disposed, that FARRELL was connected with several burglaries in Des Moines. LONG was unable to provide specific information as to details of the connections or as to the source of his information. In view of the quality of the information provided and the questionable source, no inquiry is being made based on information provided by LONG and material furnished by LONG will not be placed in investigative report, UACB.

It may be noted that the body of instant report does not contain a listing of all individual long distance telephone calls charged to subject's residential telephone. Investigative notes listing each call are being maintained in files of the Omaha Division but, UACB, the repetitious listing of calls to numbers previously identified will be discontinued.

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## Copy to:

Report of:  
Date:SA [REDACTED]  
7/26/61

Office: Omaha

File Number:

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Bufile: 92-3185

Title:

LEW FARRELL

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

Subject's telephonic contact with known Omaha, Chicago, and Fort Wayne, Indiana, associates continued. Associates of subject, [REDACTED] DONALD BORDY, [REDACTED] interviewed re subject; all advise have no knowledge subject's business activities, state have only casual relationship and no financial or business dealings with subject. Subject reportedly in recent contacts with three officials of Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin. CI advised FARRELL was recipient of \$10,000.00 of Teamsters Union funds during 1960 election campaign; was originally scheduled to receive \$100,000.00 for political purposes in Nebraska and Iowa. Check for \$14,500.00 from Midway Poultry on Rockford, Illinois, bank deposited in FARRELL account 6/28/61; on 7/3/61 a FARRELL check payable to [REDACTED] for identical amount cleared FARRELL account. In May, 1961, subject claimed to be financially backing candidate for mayor in Omaha, Nebraska. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## Details:

Lettered and numbered headings and subheadings in this report, as well as captions and subheadings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

C. ASSOCIATES

(1) Telephone Calls, April 13 to June 12, 1961.

Set forth on the following pages is information pertaining to subject's telephone calls made from, or charged to, subject's residential telephone during the above-specified period.

Examination of the calls made disclosed substantially no change from the pattern established in previous months, that is, contact was indicated between FARRELL and known associates, such as LARRY MITILIER, [redacted] and TONY ODDO of Omaha, Nebraska; [redacted] and FRANK FRATTO of Chicago; and [redacted] of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Specific reference is made on the following pages only to [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, and  
may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] at that address.On 7/13/61 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74by SA [REDACTED] db [REDACTED] Date dictated 7/17/61

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(2) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed and Unidentified:

The Chicago Division reported that information in regard to the following telephone numbers had been determined as follows:

[redacted] An unpublished phone listed to [redacted]  
[redacted] this phone service was discontinued on February 2, 1961.

ED 4-3030 - Listed to the Kool Vent Metal Awning Corp., 2810 West Foster; this phone service was discontinued March 1, 1961.

[redacted] - Listed to [redacted]  
[redacted] Illinois.

It will be noted that in regard to the number EO 4-3030 there is no such exchange in Chicago. It is felt, therefore, that this number should read ED 4-3030, which as set forth above was listed to the Kool Vent Metal Awning Corp.

On March 20, 1961, Sergeant [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department, Chicago, Illinois, advised that it was reported that [redacted] is no longer connected with Kool Vent, a metal awning manufacturing company in Chicago. Since divesting himself of his Kool Vent interest, [redacted] is reported to have gained control of the Season Master of Illinois, Inc., a manufacturer of storm doors and windows located at 3261 West Fullerton Street, Chicago, Illinois. It is alleged that Chicago hoodlum LEONARD PATRICK loaned \$100,000.00 to [redacted] brother of LEW FARRELL, an Omaha top hoodlum, to expand their operation in Season Master. [redacted] is also reported to have an interest in the Crawford Storm Window Company in the vicinity of Schubert and Crawford in Chicago.

The Season Master Company also maintains a small sales office at 2900 West Peterson, Chicago telephone number BR 4-3679, and [redacted] purchased this company from [redacted] former owner of Season Master.

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[redacted] are also alleged to have obtained control of a company known as AlSCO, 4158 West Fullerton, a manufacturer of aluminum products which has a main office in Akron, Ohio. Season Master is reportedly listed as a dealer for AlSCO in Chicago.

It is noted that [redacted] is a professional prize fight manager who reportedly has numerous hoodlum connections and in October, 1960, was a defense witness for Chicago hoodlum ANTHONY ACCARDO.

(3) Interview with Associates of LEW FARRELL:

On the following pages appear results of recent interviews with persons previously identified as associates of subject FARRELL.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

It was determined through reference to the current Fort Wayne, Indiana, telephone directory that [redacted] is the phone number of [redacted]  
[redacted] Indiana.

Efforts were made to contact [redacted]  
[redacted] on June 1, 12, and 21, 1961; however, he was out of town on those dates.

[redacted] was contacted at the Fort Wayne Glass Company on June 26, 1961, and advised as follows:

[redacted] and his wife are originally from Des Moines, Iowa. Both of them were born there, and their families maintain their homes at Des Moines. [redacted] has been away from Des Moines for more than twenty-five years and, until coming to Fort Wayne in 1957, he operated an auto parts wholesale company in Detroit, Michigan. He and his wife return to Des Moines several times a year to visit their families and friends.

[redacted] has known FARRELL since they grew up in Des Moines; however, he has maintained very little contact



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with him in the intervening years. He understands from talking with his own family that FARRELL operates a sanitation business in Des Moines. He knows of no other business ventures on FARRELL's part, either legal or illegal.

In December, 1960, [ ] and his wife returned to Des Moines, Iowa, to visit for the holidays. [ ] ran into FARRELL and renewed acquaintances. He considers FARRELL a good friend of his and of his own brother, [ ] who operates a sporting goods store in Des Moines and officiates Big Eight athletic contests. He thinks he met FARRELL in [ ] store on the above occasion.

In March, 1961, he, [ ] was in Des Moines and mentioned he was in the Midwest attempting to obtain business installing glass in construction projects there. In fact, [ ] is desirous of opening a branch of his firm in the Midwest and in furtherance thereof, he has an Omaha Post Office Box and is listed with an answering service in South Omaha. He has had stationery printed under the name of Midwest Glazing Company.

On the above occasion [ ] mentioned to FARRELL that he was going to Omaha to attempt to get business from the Mainelli Construction Company there. FARRELL said he knew [ ] and would introduce [ ] to him. [ ] thinking this was good business, acquiesced, and [ ] FARRELL, and [ ] salesman, all went to Omaha, Nebraska, for that purpose. They stayed together there. [ ] intentions were to establish a representative in the Midwest who knows people there and who could "bird dog" for him in the glass business. [ ] works only with the general contractor in constructions jobs and he is attempting to establish other branches besides Omaha.

In the period between the above time and the present, [ ] has been in contact with FARRELL both by phone and by correspondence. He has requested FARRELL to clarify certain situations in connection with blueprints and like matters concerning construction projects locally. FARRELL has called him on several occasions.

[ ] is not conversant with FARRELL's other activities, associates, or interests. He knows of no

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illegal activities on the part of FARRELL and would not suspect him in the slightest in this regard. He thinks FARRELL is "one hundred per cent" honest. He has not been closely associated with FARRELL for many years until recently and only then in connection with [redacted] business which is strictly legitimate.

If FARRELL has ever been in Fort Wayne, Indiana, [redacted] is not aware of it.

In regard to [redacted] the following is set forth:

Records of the Detroit Police Department, under their number 113500, reveal that [redacted] was arrested on December 20, 1953, on a charge of investigation of arson. The records reveal further that he was convicted on April 28, 1954, in Records Court, Detroit, and sentenced as follows:

Count I - 2 to 20 years  
Count II - 2 to 10 years  
Count III - 1 to 5 years  
Count IV - 1 to 5 years

The record further contains a newspaper clipping from the "Detroit News" dated April 28, 1954, which reveals that BECKERMAN had operated B and H Automobile Company at 10049 West Six Mile Road and that he resided at 18411 Santa Rosa. The article further states that it had been alleged that he had a large supply of obsolete automobile parts that he moved into the garage at the rear of his home, insured the garage for \$30,000.00, and hired one DAVID MAZROFF to burn the garage at the rear of his home, from which he collected \$23,000.00 insurance.

Records of the Detroit Office contain the same information and, in addition, reveal an investigation in which [redacted] was the subject along with other business partners of his in the operation of the L. J. Beckerman Company. The allegations which resulted in an investigation in 1954 were that in 1949 and 1950 [redacted] had sold a large number of Plymouth automobile grilles. The investigation revealed that these grilles were shipped by

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the Plymouth Motor Car Company to the Briggs Manufacturing Company for some plating work but due to an employee at Chrysler maintaining faulty records, the same number of grilles that were sent to Briggs were not returned to Chrysler but were apparently obtained by [redacted], Chrysler became aware of this since said company sells parts only through a designated dealer, Mopar Company. However, no prosecution ever resulted from this investigation.

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[ ] was contacted at the Biltmore Construction Company Office, 3120 Cuming Street, Omaha, Nebraska. [ ] advised he is President of Biltmore, and that [ ] is the Manager. He said Biltmore Construction Company does not do any actual building or construction work, but operates more as a broker, obtaining jobs; for example, siding work on homes and then obtaining contractors to do the actual work.

[ ] advised he had been the Manager of the Farnam Home Improvement Company, in Omaha, in about 1955; that he operated the Cornhusker Construction Company, Omaha, from 1956 to 1958; spent some time in New York in 1959, and started the Biltmore Construction Company, Omaha, in 1959.

[ ] said he was with National Builders in Des Moines, Iowa, in the early 1950s, and believes he first met LEW FARRELL in Des Moines in about 1952. [ ] said he has never considered himself a close associate of FARRELL. He pointed out he had not seen him for several months until the previous night, June 21, 1961, when he met him at the Town House Motel in Omaha and later had dinner with FARRELL and others at Ross' Steak House. BORDY said FARRELL was with two men from Chicago, Illinois, or Milwaukee, Wisconsin, named [ ]. He said [ ] is an attorney for the Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin, manufacturers of aluminum siding, and that [ ] is an official of the same company. He believes [ ] live in Milwaukee, but are well acquainted in and possibly do some work out of Chicago. [ ] said he has purchased aluminum

On 6/22/61 at Omaha, Nebraska

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by Special Agents [ ]

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from Altex Corporation in the past, and that he presently owes them a considerable amount of money. One of the reasons they were in Omaha, was to collect from [ ] and as a result of his talking with them, [ ] said he gave them an additional order for aluminum siding. [ ] said FARRELL apparently knew [ ] and [ ] but as far as he knows FARRELL has no business connection with them.

[ ] stated he gave LEW FARRELL \$150.00 approximately six years ago, but that he had never given him or loaned him any money at any other time. He said the only reason he can recall for giving FARRELL \$150.00 was that FARRELL was a friend of LARRY MITILIER and MITILIER was well known to [ ]

[ ] advised that he has never had any business relations with FARRELL. He repeated he has not been close to him and that he does not know how FARRELL makes his living. He said as far as he has heard FARRELL is not in good financial condition.

[ ] said FARRELL is friendly with TONY ODDO, drive-in operator in Omaha; LARRY MITILIER, who is in the same type of business as BORDY is in Omaha, and a man named [ ] who operates the Center Construction Company, Omaha.

[ ] said [ ] Omaha, and LARRY MITILIER were associated with him (BORDY) in the Biltmore Construction Company, but that [ ] bought them out following a disagreement. He said [ ] is now with Center Construction Company which [ ] heads. He said he believes LARRY MITILIER is working out of his house, in the siding and construction business.

[ ] said LEW FARRELL had an interest in Universal Builders and Supply Company, Omaha, with [ ] and MITILIER some years ago. He said he knows of no interest in any business in Omaha or anywhere else by FARRELL at the present time.

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[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, on interview advised as follows:

He is President of the Sanitary Disposal Company and associated with [redacted] in the operation of that business. Through [redacted] he has met and become acquainted with LEW FARRELL. He has been at the FARRELL residence on several occasions for dinner and sees FARRELL occasionally around town. He thinks FARRELL is a fine fellow, generous in his efforts to do favors for people and well liked, and with many friends in Des Moines. He realizes the local paper attacks FARRELL at every opportunity but he does not know why. He knows nothing in FARRELL's background or present activities which would warrant this unfavorable press. He has heard FARRELL was at one time a beer distributor and many years ago was connected with gambling in Des Moines, but he has also heard that many persons were connected with gambling in Des Moines at that time and are not being harrassed as is FARRELL.

FARRELL has never had any connection, financial or otherwise, with the Sanitary Disposal Company. FARRELL has never paid him, [redacted] any money or loaned him any money, nor has he ever paid FARRELL any money or loaned him any money. There have never been any financial transactions of any kind between FARRELL and him.

He does not know what FARRELL does for a living. FARRELL is not the sort of person you could ask that question. FARRELL would not answer such a question if it were asked; FARRELL is a master at evading direct questions. He feels certain [redacted] who is a close friend of FARRELL's, also does not know the source of FARRELL's money. He has no information as to any investments or business activities or union connections of FARRELL. He knows FARRELL knows a lot of people in Omaha and has a lot of friends there.

He was sorry he could not provide any more information, but he knows very little about FARRELL and his activities and associates. He thinks FARRELL is a fine fellow.

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by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 7/14/61

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In regard to [redacted] information previously set forth provided details regarding two checks deposited into subject's bank account, payable to subject, signed by [redacted] personalized check forms of the Central National Bank and Trust Company, Des Moines, Iowa, which check were further described as:

#1 - dated March 15, 1961, in the amount of \$2,500.00, and

#2 - dated April 12, 1961, in the amount of \$1,000.00.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

(1) Political Activity:

Confidential Informant OM T-1 on June 16, 1961, advised that on an unknown date before the presidential election in 1960, it had been tentatively decided by JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA, International President, Teamsters Union, and [redacted] Teamsters Union Official from St. Louis, Missouri, that \$150,000.00 would be given to LEW FARRELL for political purposes in Nebraska and Iowa. Of this sum, \$100,000.00 was to be taken to FARRELL by [redacted] organizer for the Missouri-Kansas conference of the Teamsters Union, and the other \$50,000.00 was to be split four ways among union officials, including [redacted] HOFFA, [redacted] and [redacted] President of the Joint Council #56. However, only \$10,000.00 was made available to FARRELL and FARRELL was angry because it was only \$10,000.00 instead of \$100,000.00. This sum was from the Teamsters Union International Treasury. It was in cash and was taken to FARRELL by [redacted] (phonetic), Teamsters Union official from Chicago, Illinois.

(2) Hymie's Drive-In  
4701 Fleur Drive  
Des Moines, Iowa

On June 12, 1961, Confidential Informant OM T-2 advised that the building at 4701 Fleur Drive, previously known as Hymie's Drive-In, had been rented by [redacted] proprietor of Connie and Lew's Restaurant, for use as a retail outlet and storage place for used and salvaged furniture and

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appliances. T-2 stated no lease was signed but FARRELL had not indicated there would be any specific time limit on how long the property could be rented.

(3) Financial Matters:

Data pertaining to [REDACTED] is set forth on the following pages.

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Information pertaining to [redacted]

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tecum issued to [redacted]  
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G. TRAVEL

(1) At Omaha, Nebraska, May, 1961:

Confidential Informant OM T-3 on June 13, 1961, advised that LEW FARRELL and [ ] had been in Omaha, Nebraska, a few days before the election for mayor in Omaha in May, 1961. He stated TONY ODDO was with FARRELL and [ ] and that the three of them were at Angelo's Studio Inn. T-3 stated FARRELL claimed that "they," presumably meaning FARRELL, [ ] and ODDO, had contributed \$5,000.00 to the election fund of candidate [ ] and had explained that if [ ] were elected it would mean that gambling would open up in Omaha and "they" would profit by it. T-3 commented he did not know how true FARRELL's claim was and that it was possible FARRELL was doing some of his usual bragging.

(2) At Omaha, Nebraska, June 21-22, 1961:

On July 6, 1961, [ ] Town House Motel, Omaha, Nebraska, advised SA EDWIN W. FLINT that LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa, had checked into the Town House on June 21, 1961, and checked out June 22, 1961. During that period he made the following telephone calls:

June 21, 1961:

to Des Moines, Iowa, AT 2-5937  
to Chicago, Illinois, EF 9-4350  
to Chicago, Illinois, TA 9-5822  
to Miami, Florida, JE 1-0761

June 22, 1961:

to Des Moines, Iowa, AT 2-5937

[ ] advised that FARRELL's bill at the Town House was paid by [ ] Altex Corporation; on Diners Club Credit Card [ ]

It will be noted that AT 2-5937 is subject's residential telephone in Des Moines; that Chicago number TA 9-5822 has previously been identified as listed to the Jordan Exposition Company, Chicago.

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On June 21, 1961, Confidential Informant OM T-4 advised that on the night of June 20, 1961, he had been informed by a man, name unknown to T-4, that LEW FARRELL sent his greetings and would be in Omaha on June 21, 1961. The purpose of FARRELL's trip to Omaha was not mentioned.

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ES 9-4351 called 7/5/61 in person to person call to Bill;

CH 3-7818 called 7/12/61;

PR 6-0600 called 7/25/61.

2. Will develop identifying and background information regarding [redacted] Illinois and thereafter interview regarding subject unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted;

3. Will develop identifying and background information regarding [redacted] Chicago, Room [redacted] and thereafter interview regarding subject unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted.

4. Will interview [redacted] Chicago, as requested in referenced Milwaukee Airtel.

MILWAUKEE

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. Will identify subscriber to LI 2-4235, develop background information and thereafter interview unless information available indicating interview should not be conducted.

MINNEAPOLIS

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of the Milwaukee Division regarding Minneapolis No. PA 9-7359 called on 8/7/61 in person to person to Brammas (ph).

PHOENIX

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of the Milwaukee Division regarding Phoenix number AL 8-4931 called on 8/8/61 in person to person call to DICK RICHARDS.

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1. AT DES MOINES, IOWA. Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

2. Will maintain contact with informants and other sources to develop additional information regarding subject.

3. Will maintain liaison with Internal Revenue Service, Des Moines, to determine progress of that investigation and to obtain investigative leads as they may develop.

1. AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of the Milwaukee Division in regard to the following telephone numbers:

[redacted] on 6/13/61 in person to person call to  
[redacted] on 6/14/61 in person to person call to  
[redacted]  
342-4390 on 6/20/61  
[redacted] on 6/26/61 in person to person call to  
[redacted] (ph);  
345-7467 on 7/9/61  
551-2576 on 7/9/61  
[redacted] on 7/31/61 in person to person call to  
[redacted] possibly at "National Building Capital;"  
342-1332 on 8/11/61

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2. Will maintain contact with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

INFORMANTS:

OM T-1: [redacted] in referenced Kansas City letter to Omaha of 7/3/61 to SA DON W. WALTERS;

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OM T-2: [redacted] in referenced Kansas City letter to Omaha of 7/31/61 to SA DON W. WALTERS;

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OM T-3: [redacted] United Air Lines, Des Moines, Iowa,  
to SA [redacted] instant report;

OM T-4: [redacted] Town House Motel, Omaha, —  
Nebraska, to SA [redacted] in 92-74-799;

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OM T-5: [redacted] Assistant Commercial Supervisor, North-  
western Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, to  
SA [redacted] instant report.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed  
and T-symbols were utilized in this report in the instances  
where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Reference is made to FD-302 reflecting interview with [redacted]  
[redacted] on 6/13/61; instant FD-302 was inadvertently omitted  
from submission in referenced report of 7/26/61.

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Office: Omaha, Nebraska

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9/29/61

File Number:

Omaha 92-74

Bureau File #: 92-3185

Title:

LEW FARRELL

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

*133 North 35th Ave, Omaha, Nebr.*  
*TLL*

Subject's telephonic contacts with known Omaha, Chicago, Kansas City, and Fort Wayne, Indiana associates continued. Associates of subject, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] interviewed; advised generally regarding subject; several admit having made "loans" to subject; [REDACTED] advised he was recipient of loan from FARRELL a year ago. CI's advise regarding FARRELL's association with Italian criminal element in Kansas City, Missouri. FARRELL reportedly employed about 7/25/61 as sales representative for Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin. Bank account reflects \$600.00 from [REDACTED] Chicago, in July, 1961; \$800.00 from Altex in August, 1961. FARRELL trips to Omaha and Chicago reported. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## DETAILS:

Lettered and numbered headings and subheadings in this report, as well as captions and subheadings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

C. ASSOCIATES

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(3) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed and Unidentified:

The Chicago Division advised as follows in regard to the following telephone numbers:

[redacted] called on April 1, 1961: listed to [redacted]  
[redacted] Elmwood Park, Illinois;

[redacted] called on April 7, 1961: an unpublished number  
listed to [redacted]  
Street, Chicago, Illinois, room [redacted]

NI 7-6622 called on April 8, 1961: listed to the Niles Aluminum Corporation of Illinois, 7450 Milwaukee, Niles, Illinois, previously identified as a company in which one of the owners was FRANK FRATTO, brother of subject.

The Kansas City Division advised as follows regarding Wichita, Kansas, number AM 7-6205 called from subject's residential telephone on 2/13/61 - instant number listed to the Napa Motel, 1125 South Broadway, Wichita.

The Miami Division advised that Miami telephone number JE 1-0761 called from subject's motel room, Omaha, on June 21, 1961, is listed to the Coronet Hotel, 2001 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

(4) Interviews with Associates of LEW FARRELL.

On the following pages appear results of recent interviews with persons previously identified as associates of subject FARRELL.

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Date June 20, 1961

[ ] President, Novak Cadillac, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska, advised he has known LEW FARRELL for many years, but has had no business dealings with him. He said he loaned FARRELL \$2,500.00 on July 19, 1960, giving him a check in that amount and that FARRELL gave him a note. He was unable to locate the note, but stated he surely expects FARRELL to repay him.

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[ ] said he had on another occasion, time unrecalled, loaned FARRELL \$300.00 in cash. [ ] did not indicate that he expected FARRELL to repay this \$300.00.

[ ] said he understands FARRELL is in poor financial condition and denied knowing what, if any kind of business, FARRELL was operating. [ ] denied FARRELL had ever done anything for him [ ], but said that sometimes when [ ] is trying to locate purchasers of autos, which purchasers are behind in their payments and are also of questionable reputation, FARRELL is able, through his contacts, to locate such individuals for [ ]

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[ ] was contacted at the building he owns in East Omaha, Nebraska. [ ] advised he has known LEW FARRELL for several years. He said FARRELL loaned him some money about a year ago. [ ] was evasive concerning this transaction, but finally admitted the amount FARRELL loaned him was somewhere between \$2,000.00 and \$12,000.00. [ ] said FARRELL had asked him not to divulge details of the loan. [ ] said FARRELL furnished him the money in cash; that no note was given and there was no provision for any interest to be paid. He said FARRELL has not pressed him for repayment, but that he [ ] plans to repay FARRELL.

[ ] said he has not seen FARRELL for several months. He denied knowing the source of FARRELL's income and denied knowing where he obtained the money he loaned to [ ]

[ ] said he has owned land along [ ] on the way to Eppley Field in East Omaha for a long time and that [ ] of the Pineboard Bar, 18th and Dodge, Omaha, and [ ] Omaha attorney, had tried to cheat him in connection with this land. He explained that [ ] knew the land was of great value and were trying to "work up a deal" whereby they could get the land from [ ] at a small price and then sell it immediately at a great profit. [ ] said he suspected their plan and contacted [ ] Omaha attorney who represents a man named [ ] who was looking for land in that area on which to build a hotel. As a result of this contact, [ ] sold his land to [ ] for \$45,000.00 in cash and \$850.00 per month for the rest of [ ]'s life. [ ] said he has retained a small piece of land west of the land he sold and that he is refinishing a building he moved from the other land and expects to rent this building out for private parties.

[ ] said he had also sold another piece of land [ ] in the same area of East Omaha to [ ] for an agreed price of \$30,000.00. [ ] received \$15,000.00; but said he tried to go back on the deal and repaid this amount to [ ] said he wanted to get the piece of land back from [ ] and has been unable to do so. He said he wanted to give this piece of land to FARRELL.

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as repayment for the loan mentioned above, but that he has been unable to get the land back from [redacted]. He said he has considered court action in this regard, but does not know whether he will push the matter further.

[redacted] spoke in a very derogatory way concerning both [redacted] saying they had tried to cheat him and that he had caught them trying to do it.

[redacted] denied ever threatening to [redacted] and [redacted] but did admit intense dislike for them. He said apparently someone had reported to the Omaha Police Department that he had threatened them because two detectives had come to him [redacted] sometime ago questioning him about his attitude toward [redacted]

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[redacted] Omaha, Nebraska, advised he is [redacted] years of age and is employed as [redacted] for the Center Construction Company, 2226 South 16th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

[redacted] said during about 1949 to 1951 he worked for National Builders, Des Moines, Iowa, a construction company which was headed by [redacted] (phonetic). [redacted] was living in Omaha at the time although working in the Des Moines area. He said he believes he met LEW FARRELL of Des Moines during that period. He recalled FARRELL was being questioned by the Kefauver Committee about that time and that there was considerable publicity about FARRELL's appearance before the committee.

[redacted] said he later worked for the Central Construction Company, Omaha, which was owned and is still owned by [redacted]

Later he worked for Universal Builders and Supply Company, Omaha, which was owned by TONY ODDO, drive-in restaurant owner of Omaha, and LARRY MITILIER. [redacted] said several of the salesmen, including himself, purchased TONY ODDO's share of the company and that [redacted] became president with LARRY MITILIER as manager. [redacted] said he was president in name only since he actually traveled outside of Omaha trying to get business for the company and was not actually the head of the company. He said LEW FARRELL had no interest in the Universal Builders and Supply Company as far as he knows and that FARRELL has never had any interest or connection with any company with which [redacted] has been associated. [redacted] said Universal Builders and Supply was later dissolved.

[redacted] informed that he and LARRY MITILIER had also been associated with Biltmore Construction Company, Omaha, with DON BORDY but that MITILIER and he left that company. DON BORDY is still operating Biltmore Construction Company at 3120 Cuming Street, Omaha.

[redacted] stated LARRY MITILIER and [redacted] started the Center Construction Company in about 1955 or 1956 and

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[ ] went with them as a salesman. Later [ ] took over the company and he is presently the president. [ ] said MITILIER and he, [ ] left Center Construction and that MITILIER is presently running his own company which [ ] believes is the AlSCO Window Company. [ ] worked with MITILIER until about three months ago when he went to work for the Center Construction Company headed by [ ]

[ ] said that in about 1957 he was at the Blackstone Hotel with several men, names not recalled, but one of whom pointed out an individual in the restaurant saying the man was DICK KAVNER, Teamsters Union official from St. Louis, Missouri. [ ] said he went over to KAVNER, introduced himself, and asked KAVNER if he needed an organizer. [ ] stated he had never met KAVNER before. [ ] stated LEW FARRELL was not in the group at that time and that LEW FARRELL did not introduce him to KAVNER. [ ] said he later learned, however, that LEW FARRELL was a friend of KAVNER's.

As a result of meeting KAVNER as described above, [ ] went to work for the Teamsters Union as an organizer in the Omaha area and worked at that job for several months for \$75.00 a week. He said [ ] of the Teamsters Union gave him a few tips in Omaha on one occasion regarding organizing. [ ] said he tried to organize some of the waitresses in some of the restaurants and hotels in Omaha and also tried to organize automobile salesmen at Rosen-Novak Chevrolet Company but that he did not succeed in either venture. KAVNER after a few months told [ ] that he would have to let him go and that the employment was terminated.

[ ] said he has known LEW FARRELL since he met him in Des Moines, Iowa, between 1949 and 1951 and considers him a friend. He said when LEW FARRELL makes occasional trips to Omaha, FARRELL calls him and [ ] meets him at the airport, takes him to the Town House, the Blackstone, or any other place he is staying, and also takes him around the city wherever he wants to go. [ ] said he loaned FARRELL \$1,000.00 in 1955 or 1956 when FARRELL told him he needed that amount of money for a short time. FARRELL said he was expecting to collect from United Airlines as a result of a forced landing of a plane on which FARRELL had been a

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passenger between Des Moines and Omaha and that he would repay [ ] as soon as he got this money. [ ] furnished the money to FARRELL by personal check and said it came from his personal savings. No note was drawn up and no interest was agreed upon. FARRELL has not repaid any part of the \$1,000.00, and [ ] said he has asked him about the money only two times. On both occasions FARRELL said he intended to pay as soon as he could. [ ] said FARRELL has never done any favors for him, given him any money, or done anything for him and that he had no obligation to lend FARRELL the \$1,000.00. He said he did it merely as a friend who needed money. [ ] said he still expects to be repaid by FARRELL.

[ ] informed he believes FARRELL has a drive-in restaurant in Des Moines and he knows of no other possible source of income for FARRELL than this enterprise. He said he has heard that FARRELL had a beer distributorship in Iowa sometime many years ago.

[ ] said he has not heard from or seen FARRELL for two months or more. [ ] said that as far as he knows, he, [ ] LARRY MITILIER, and TONY ODDO would be considered FARRELL's best friends in Omaha.

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[redacted] Vice-President in Charge of Sales, Cosmopolitan Insurance Company, 4620 North Sheridan Drive, when first questioned concerning LEW FARRELL, advised that the name was familiar but he could not definitely place it. On further consideration [redacted] recalled that sometime shortly before Christmas, 1960, he had been requested by a good friend and neighbor of his to loan \$1,000 to LEW FARRELL who was an out of town resident and who needed some money to purchase Christmas presents. The neighbor of [redacted] declined to identify, agreed that the loan would be repaid assuring [redacted] that he had known FARRELL for many years adding that FARRELL was a wealthy man but was temporarily out of funds. [redacted] stated that he loaned FARRELL \$1,000 which he gave to the neighbor in the form of a personal check. He stated that since this loan was made he has been repaid in full through the neighbor.

[redacted] stated that he knows nothing about LEW FARRELL or his activities and has had no prior or subsequent contact with this individual since the loan was made.

[redacted] indicated that he lived in Morton Grove, Illinois. He said that he did not know anyone by the name of LEW FRATTO or FRANK FRATTO. He indicated that he had no financial interest in any awning or storm window company nor in any business which LEW or FRANK FRATTO were engaged.

On 6/20/61 at 4620 North Sheridan Drive  
Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-437  
by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/blg:kcc Date dictated 6/22/61

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[ ] attorney and vice-president of the Altex Corporation, 1426 Arcadian Avenue, Waukesha, Wisconsin, upon interview advised that he resides in Chicago, Illinois, and maintains his law office at 11 South LaSalle Street in Chicago.

[ ] stated that at the present time he is handling the affairs of the Altex Corporation at Waukesha approximately three days a week while the general manager, [ ] is on vacation.

He stated that [ ] is president of the corporation and that [ ] located at 1704 West 69th Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that [ ] very seldom comes to Waukesha, Wisconsin. He further advised that his [ ] brother, [ ] is secretary of the Altex Corporation. He said that [ ] operates a butcher shop at 4931 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and comes to Waukesha, Wisconsin, very infrequently.

[ ] stated that he knows very little concerning LEW FARRELL. He recalled from traveling records in his possession that he and [ ] went to Omaha, Nebraska, on June 20, 1961, to endeavor to collect some bad accounts. [ ] explained that the Altex Corporation handles aluminum siding and that all of their customers are in the construction business and at times the company has a difficult time collecting for the aluminum siding sold. He stated that while in Omaha, Nebraska, contacting these bad accounts he was introduced to LEW FARRELL by [ ] who evidently has known FARRELL for quite a period of time. [ ] said that according to his records on the evening of June 21, 1961, he and [ ] had dinner with LEW FARRELL and an individual from the Biltmore Construction Company whose last name he believes to be [ ]. He stated that during the dinner he struck up a conversation with FARRELL and FARRELL indicated that he had been in the construction business and would like to sell aluminum siding for the Altex Corporation.

[ ] stated that subject claimed to know a great many individuals in the construction business in the Omaha and

On 8/8/61 at Waukesha, Wisconsin File # MI 92-52  
by SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY esl/kcc Date dictated 8/9/61

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Des Moines area and the salesman they had in that area had just been fired due to the fact that he was not bringing business to the corporation. [ ] stated that no agreement was reached at that time as to FARRELL working for the corporation.

He said that on July 25 he and [ ] again went to Omaha, Nebraska, and that he contacted LEW FARRELL through [ ] and hired him as a sales representative in the Omaha, Nebraska and Des Moines area. [ ] stated that one reason he hired subject was because the latter was willing to work on a commission-only basis and that he felt this would save the company a great deal of money.

He further advised that his brother, [ ] knows nothing concerning LEW FARRELL and in fact SAM does not believe that his brother has ever met subject. He stated that [ ] would know a great deal concerning subject's background, business connections and associates.

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D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

(1) Connections with Kansas City, Missouri.

CI OM T-1 and T-2 on July 26, 1961, advised that they have known LEW FARRELL for many years; further that prior to 1950, when CHARLES BINAGGIO was the leader of the Italian criminal organization in Kansas City, FARRELL was considered the organization boss in Omaha. FARRELL and BINAGGIO were close personal friends, they advised, and the organization in Kansas City and Omaha had a working agreement relative to gambling and other organizational activities. They stated it was their opinion that FARRELL still maintains his position of authority in the organization in Omaha and that the agreement between organization leaders in Omaha and Kansas City still exists.

T-1 and T-2 advised that the following named persons, all prominent members of the Italian criminal organization in Kansas City, were known by them to be friendly with FARRELL: NICHOLAS CIVELLA, [REDACTED] MORRIS KLEIN, ALEX PRESTA, GAETANO LOCOCO, and Dr. D. M. NIGRO. They further advised that FARRELL normally stays at the Phillips Hotel in Kansas City on occasion of his visits there, with reservations being made for him by Dr. D. M. NIGRO. T-1 and T-2 advised in their opinion contact with FARRELL in Kansas City would most likely be by CIVELLA or [REDACTED] and that any business FARRELL might have with Teamsters Union officials in Kansas City would be made through CIVELLA.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

(1) Sales Representative  
Altex Corporation  
Waukesha, Wisconsin

As set forth elsewhere in instant report in interview with [REDACTED] Vice President of captioned firm, FARRELL was hired on or about July 25, 1961, as a sales representative of the Altex Corporation in the Omaha, Nebraska, and Des Moines, Iowa, area.



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As set forth elsewhere in instant report, a review of the bank account of subject's wife reflects that during August, 1961, four \$200.00 checks of the Altex Corporation were deposited into that account, all presumably payable to the subject.

It should be noted that the Milwaukee Division on August 10, 1961, advised that officers of captioned company had a reputation among Milwaukee law enforcement officials of being associated with the hoodlum element in Chicago, Illinois, and Milwaukee, Wisconsin, these officers being PETER GRANATA, President, [REDACTED] Vice President and [REDACTED] Secretary, all residents of Chicago, Illinois. It was further reported that these law enforcement officials had advised that company had a reputation for using strong-arm methods if companies failed to make payments on material sold to them by Altex Corporation.

(2) Financial Matters.

Data pertaining to [REDACTED] is set forth on the following pages.

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G. TRAVEL

(1) At Chicago, Illinois, June 15-18, 1961.

A review of long distance telephone calls charged to subject's residential telephone disclosed that beginning at 8:20 a.m. June 15, 1961, and continuing thereafter on June 16, 17, and 18, 1961, until 12:50 p.m. June 18, 1961, there were a series of five collect calls made to subject's residential telephone in Des Moines, Iowa, from a person identifying himself as LEW FARRELL in Chicago, Illinois. During this same period on June 16, and 18, 1961, there were two calls from Des Moines, Iowa, to SP 4-3090 in Chicago, Illinois, previously identified as the residential telephone of FRANK FRATTO, brother of subject.

(2) At Omaha, Nebraska July 9-11, 1961.

CI OM T-3 on July 31, 1961, advised that LEW FARRELL departed Des Moines, Iowa, on United Air Lines Flight 439 on July 9, 1961, for Omaha, Nebraska.

CI OM T-4 on September 8, 1961, advised that LEW FARRELL, III 5 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa, checked into the Town House Motel on July 9, 1961, and checked out on July 11, 1961; further that on July 10, 1961, he made a long distance telephone call to [redacted] Harlan, Iowa.

It will be noted the above number at Harlan, Iowa, has previously been identified as the residential number of [redacted] a known FARRELL associate.

In connection with this visit, it may be noted that at 8:20 a.m. July 9, 1961, prior to departure of FARRELL to Omaha, a call was made to Omaha number 551-2576; further that on July 12, 1961, following return of subject to Des Moines, a call was again made to 551-2576, this call at 9:30 a.m. It may be further noted that following this call to Omaha, a call was made to Chicago number CH 3-7818 at 9:45 a.m. July 12, 1961.

(3) At Chicago, Illinois, July 14-16, 1961.

A review of telephone calls charged to subject's residential telephone reflects a series of collect telephone calls made from Chicago, Illinois, beginning at 4:39 p.m. July 14, 1961, and continuing until 10:20 a.m. July 16, 1961, with the calling party identified as LEW FARRELL; further that a call was made at 7:40 p.m. July 14, 1961, to Chicago No. SP 4-3090, person to person to LEW FARRELL which number previously identified as residential number of FRANK FRATTO, brother of subject.

(4) At Omaha, Nebraska, July 26-28, 1961.

As set forth elsewhere in instant report, interview with [redacted] Vice President of Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin, reported that on July 25, 1961, [redacted] and [redacted] met with FARRELL in Omaha, Nebraska.

CI OM T-4 on September 8, 1961, advised that LEW FARRELL checked into the Town House Motel, Omaha, Nebraska, on July 26, 1961, and checked out on July 28, 1961, during which period he made three calls to his residential number in Des Moines, Iowa, and one call on July 28, 1961, to Chicago, Illinois, number 225-8391.

In connection with this visit, it may be noted that on July 25, 1961, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and thereafter at 8:50 a.m. and again at 6:04 p.m. there were three calls made to 551-7418, Omaha, Nebraska, previously identified as residential number of LARRY MITILIER, a known FARRELL associate. Between the first two calls to MITILIER, at 8:45 a.m. on July 25, 1961, a call was made to Chicago No. PR 6-0600, person to person to [redacted]. Again at 8:00 a.m. July 26, 1961, a call was made to the MITILIER residence in Omaha.

(5) At Omaha, Nebraska, August 21-22, 1961.

CI OM T-4 on September 8, 1961, advised LEW FARRELL checked into the Town House Motel, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 21, 1961, and checked out August 22, 1961. During this period on August 21, 1961, he made long distance calls to the following:

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Chicago, Illinois, to PR 6-0600;  
Des Moines, Iowa, numbers - AT 8-1066; AT 2-9397;  
CH 3-3657.

CI OM T-5 on September 25, 1961, advised AT 8-1066 is listed to Empire Builders, 506 University Court, Des Moines, a siding company; that AT 2-9397 is listed to [redacted] 2105 Park Avenue, Des Moines, a known FARRELL associate; that CH 3-3657 is listed to [redacted] [redacted] Des Moines.

[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, Credit Bureau, on September 25, 1961, advised records of that Bureau reflect that [redacted] has been in file since 1937, no derogatory information, and employed as a wholesalesman for Statewide Warehouse.

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		Report made by <div></div>	Typed By: <b>db</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

## REFERENCES

Report of SA  dated 9/29/61 at Omaha.  
Chicago letters to Omaha 9/28/61 and 11/28/61 (interoffice).  
Minneapolis letter to Omaha 10/12/61 (interoffice).  
Milwaukee letter to Omaha 10/13/61 (interoffice).

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## LEADS

### CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. (1) Will identify subscribers to the following numbers, develop background information, and thereafter interview regarding subject unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted:

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[redacted] on 8/29/61 to [redacted]  
HU 6-2600 on 10/18/61 to Room 320, Extension 52 -  
will note collect calls were made from  
this room by person identifying himself  
as LEW FARRELL.

(2) Will note information set forth in body of  
instant report indicating subject was in Chicago during the  
following periods:

9/1-3/61; 9/23/61; 10/13/61; and 10/17-22/61.

Will contact logical informants in an effort to ascertain  
activities and contacts of subject while in Chicago.

(3) Will note Chicago interview with [redacted]  
quotes [redacted] as stating FARRELL operates from his home and  
the "offices of the union with which he is affiliated." Will  
reinterview [redacted] to determine union with which FARRELL is  
affiliated and basis for such statement.

DENVER

AT DENVER, COLORADO. Will note information provided  
as rumor only that subject has interest in trash hauling  
company known as the Farrell Sanitation Company. Will conduct  
appropriate inquiry to verify or disprove such information.

MINNEAPOLIS

AT ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA. Will conduct investigation  
similar to that requested of the Chicago Division regarding  
telephone number AT 2-2581 called during period 8/15-18/61  
and note that per information set forth in body of report  
subject possibly was in Rochester during this period and was  
making collect calls from indicated number.

SPRINGFIELD

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. Will conduct investiga-  
tion similar to that requested of the Chicago Office regarding  
Springfield telephone number [redacted] on 8/23/61.



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AT BURLINGTON, IOWA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago Division regarding Burlington telephone [redacted] called on 9/7/61 to [redacted] possibly identical to [redacted] former Omaha Hoodlum, and number [redacted] called on 10/4/61 to [redacted]

AT CLEAR LAKE, IOWA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago Division regarding Clear Lake telephone numbers:

[redacted] on 8/30/61 to [redacted]  
[redacted] on 9/2/61 to [redacted]  
[redacted] on 9/2/61 to [redacted]

AT DES MOINES, IOWA. (1) Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

(2) Will maintain contact with informants and other sources to develop additional information regarding subject.

(3) Will maintain liaison with Internal Revenue Service, Des Moines, to determine progress made by that agency and to obtain investigative leads as they may develop.

AT ELKHORN, NEBRASKA. Will conduct inquiry similar to that requested of Chicago in regard to Elkhorn number 3444 called on 10/6/61 from Town House Motel, Omaha.

AT LINCOLN, NEBRASKA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago Division in regard to Lincoln number 322-7701 called on 10/6/61 from the Town House Motel, Omaha.

AT MASON CITY, IOWA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago Division regarding Mason City number GA 4-4717 called on 8/28/61.

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AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA. Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago Division in regard to Omaha numbers:

	on 8/28/61 to	
	on 9/19/61 to	
	on 9/19/61 to	
	on 10/24/61 to	
	on 10/27/61 to	

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INFORMANTS

OM T-1: PCI [ ] to SA [ ]  
on 11/28/61 in [ ]

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T-symbols were utilized in this report in the instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Information from records of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, concerning long distance calls charged to telephone number AT 2-5937, Des Moines, was furnished to SA [ ] on 12/4/61 by [ ]  
[ ] Commercial Supervisor.

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Information obtained 9/28/61, 10/30/61, and 11/29/61 from records of the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, was furnished to SA [ ] by [ ]  
[ ] Vice President in Charge of that bank.

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## Copy to:

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: Omaha  
Date: 12/14/61  
File Number: 92-74 Bureau: 92-3185  
Title: LEW FARRELL

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

Subject's telephonic contacts with known Omaha, Kansas City, and Chicago associates continue. FARRELL identified as Regional Sales Manager for Altex Corporation of Waukesha, Wisconsin; annual income predicted at \$35,000.00; available information indicates subject's job includes collecting from overdue accounts. Public announcement made 11/61 that FARRELL new part-owner and Sales Manager of Sanitary Disposal Company, Des Moines, Iowa. Bank account records reflect weekly deposit of Altex Corporation checks. Newspaper accounts reveal subject in 1958 attempted to influence appointment of CHARLES ANDREANO as Chief of Police, Des Moines PD; ANDREANO in 1960 implicated in PD scandals and suspended. FARRELL trips to Chicago and Omaha continue. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## Details:

Lettered and numbered headings and subheadings in this report, as well as captions for various subheadings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

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C. ASSOCIATES

(1)

Set forth on the following pages is information  
pertaining to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, during  
the above-specified period.

[REDACTED] *ILL.*  
[REDACTED] *FOOT*  
Specific reference is made on the following pages  
only to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Date December 7, 1961

Information pertaining to [REDACTED]

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b7D[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, and may be obtained only by subpoena  
duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On 12/4/61 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] jkh Date dictated 12/4/61

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(2) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously  
Listed and Unidentified:

The Minneapolis Division advised as follows regarding Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephone number [redacted] called on August 7, 1961, in person-to-person [redacted] (phonetic):

Telephone number [redacted] is listed to [redacted] Minneapolis. [redacted] operates a car wash establishment at this address.

The files of the Minneapolis Office reflect that one [redacted] has been reported to be a part owner of this car wash. It is noted that a person-to-person telephone call was made to [redacted] (phonetic). This is undoubtedly [redacted] [redacted] is a former secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Local 544, Minneapolis. His nephew, [redacted] is secretary-treasurer of Local 975 in St. Paul.

On October 19, 1961, [redacted] was located at [redacted] car wash. He advised SA BRYAN J. MOGEN that he is acquainted with LEW FARRELL of Omaha, having made his acquaintance in about 1953. He stated that at that time he was a business agent with the Teamsters and they had a jurisdictional dispute with a bag company in Minneapolis. During this dispute, a business agent for the Teamsters in Omaha introduced his cousin, who was LEW FARRELL, to [redacted] and FARRELL interceded for the bag company.

[redacted] was vague concerning this contact with FARRELL. He said that since this time he has had contact with FARRELL infrequently. He advised he has heard that FARRELL is "some sort of hoodlum" who has connections with hoodlums in Kansas City. [redacted] advised he no longer has a connection with the union and he has not had any business reason for being in contact with LEW FARRELL. He said he has not been in Omaha for several years and he cannot recall the last time he met FARRELL. He denied having any social acquaintance with FARRELL. He advised he had heard FARRELL was a part-owner in an airport restaurant in Iowa, not far from Omaha.

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[ ] indicated he wished to be cooperative but was vague in all his remarks concerning FARRELL.

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E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

- (1) Regional Sales Manager  
Altex Corp  
Waukesha, Wisconsin

As set forth under this caption immediately below, information provided by [ ] President of the Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin, that LEW FARRELL of Des Moines had been made Regional Sales Manager of that firm and that FARRELL was to get a three per cent commission on all sales and a \$200.00 draw against commissions.

It will be noted that as set forth elsewhere in instant report and in previous reports, FARRELL's bank account since August 7, 1961, has disclosed frequent deposits of \$200.00 checks from the Altex Corporation, which checks appear to be deposited at intervals of one week.

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[ ] advised that he is President of the Altex Corporation of Waukesha, Wisconsin, and has been associated with this firm for the past [ ] years. He advised that approximately [ ] years ago the Altex Corporation dispensed with the services of the Regional Sales Manager at Des Moines, Iowa. He said that the reason for this action was because this Sales Manager had allowed large sales to several firms on a credit basis which had proved to be bad risks. One of the firms purchased approximately \$50,000.00 worth of aluminum siding, sold the siding, and then declared bankruptcy. When the need arose for a new Regional Sales Manager in the Des Moines area, [ ] contacted LEW FARRELL whom he has known for approximately 30 years.

He said that he and FARRELL, whom he originally knew as LOU FRATTO, had been boyhood friends in Chicago. He said that he knew FARRELL resided in Des Moines, Iowa, and had many contacts in that area. In addition, several years ago FARRELL had been active in the construction business and, therefore, had contacts in this field which would be of value to the Altex Corporation. [ ] advised that FARRELL was employed by his firm under the same circumstances as the other six Regional Sales Managers, that is, a three per cent commission on all sales and a \$200.00 draw against commissions. He advised that in all probability FARRELL would make at least \$35,000.00 a year from his position from Altex.

[ ] stated that all accounts of the Altex Corporation in the Des Moines area have been turned over to FARRELL and he will receive the three per cent commission on all sales made to these accounts. In addition, FARRELL is expected to bring in new accounts. [ ] stated that he did not know whether FARRELL had opened any new accounts to date.

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On 10/27/61 at 1702 West 69th Street File # OM 92-74  
Chicago, Illinois CG 92-437  
by SAs WILLIAM F. ROEMER, JR. and  
DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/SLG:db Date dictated 11/1/61



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[ ] was questioned as to whether FARRELL had been hired because of his name and reputation which might conceivably be of value in the collection of moneys owed to the Altex Corporation as well as securing new accounts. [ ] denied that this was the reason for hiring FARRELL and added that he specifically told FARRELL that there could be "no rough stuff" in the collection of moneys due to the Altex Corporation.

[ ] when further questioned as to whether FARRELL was actually working for the Altex Corporation or whether his employment might be a paper employment whereby he may report a legitimate source of income. [ ] that this was the case and stated that FARRELL's legitimate contacts throughout the Midwest as well as his ability made him a desirable employee of the Altex Corporation and one whose income from that corporation would be well deserved. He stated that in all probability FARRELL would put in between four and six hours of each working day on Altex Corporation business. He said that FARRELL has no office which is exclusively for the use of the Altex Corporation business, but operates from his home and the offices of the union with which he is affiliated.

[ ] advised that [ ] who is an Illinois State Representative. He advised that he himself has never been active in the political field.

[ ] advised that he has heard from newspaper accounts and other rumors that FARRELL has a reputation in the criminal field. He stated that he knows of no information personally concerning FARRELL which would verify the fact that FARRELL is in any way engaged in criminal activities.

[ ] made available a two-page letter dated October 17, 1961, directed to LEW FARRELL from [ ] the credit manager of the Altex Corporation. A copy of this letter is set forth as follows:

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"Lew Farrell



"Dear Lew:

"In reviewing the accounts under your jurisdiction I find that there has not been too much activity in the way of remittances coming in. Accordingly, I am listing on this page and the amounts that we should receive this month. Would you kindly put a little pressure on in the right places and get some money in here, please.

"National Home Supply Company, Omaha, Lee Sloan; balance to date is \$17,922.86. Call Lee Sloan, please and get a check for \$8,723.00 to cover our invoice #6753 of July 31st.

"Modern Home Improvement Company, Ottumwa, Iowa; Jay Pruce, balance \$3,524.38. Lew, we would appreciate it if you would kindly put the touch on this fellow for about \$2,000.00 balance.

"Midwest Construction and Supply Company, Mason City, Iowa; Alex Despanas, balance \$5,311.92. Lew, we need about \$2,500.00 this month from Alex, see what you can do.

"Iowa Aluminum Company. The balance under Iowa Aluminum Company is \$9,976.98. Lew, we have got to get the interest that is due on this account, it comes to \$735.00 for 13 months. Put the bite on this guy for the interest as well as the regular checks won't you please?

"Biltmore Construction Company, Omaha, Nebraska, balance \$16,968.09, last payment September 18th. Lew, I hope that you are crowding this guy again.

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"Better Homes Construction Company, Omaha, Nebraska. Get a hold of [redacted] and get some money from him. They owe us at the present time, \$9,860.83 to date! About \$6,900.00 is long, long past due. So Lew, won't you please put the bite on these people for a least \$5,000.00. It is important that we get some money from Better Homes this month. I think that this fellow has taken advantage of our generosity over the past eight months.

"The next and the last account Lew. is the Aluminum Distributors, Inc. [redacted] the amount this fellow owes us is \$3,612.93. This goes back to an invoice dated April 16, 1961. So Lew, we would appreciate it if you would ask [redacted] to kindly remit the entire balance, preferably in the next ten days.

"We do not seem to be doing too well with these accounts for the past several weeks, consequently we would certainly appreciate it if we could make up for lost time by getting to them this month, during October. We would appreciate anything that you can do with these accounts.

"Best wishes for a happy Halloween, Lew, may I remain,

"Very truly yours,

[redacted]

"JHN:lr

"cc to [redacted]

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- (2) Sales Manager - Stockholder  
Sanitary Disposal Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

An article appearing in the Des Moines Register newspaper, issue of November 3, 1961, reported that RALPH BUMPILORI, a "co-owner of the Sanitary Disposal Company," announced on November 2, 1961, that LEW FARRELL would become a part-owner of that firm; further that he, BUMPILORI, and co-owner WILLIAM STEPP had decided that day to take FARRELL into the company and to divide the stock with him and that FARRELL would act primarily as a Sales Manager. The article quoted BUMPILORI as stating that as long as FARRELL was being mentioned in connection with the company, "he might as well be one of the stockholders." BUMPILORI further stated, according to the article, that FARRELL had not been connected with the company until that time although "he's got friends and has helped us get business."

(3) Financial Matters

Information previously provided disclosed that on June 28, 1961, a check for \$14,500.00 was deposited into the checking-account of subject's wife and that this check had been identified as a certified check of the First National Bank and Trust Company, Rockford, Illinois, drawn on the account of the Midway Poultry; further that on July 3, 1961, a check for \$14,500.00 was charged to Mrs. FARRELL's account, which check was signed by CARMELLA FARRELL and made payable to [REDACTED]

ON August 30, 1961, [REDACTED] partner-owner, Midway Poultry Company, 124 Kishwaukee Street, Rockford, Illinois, advised SA [REDACTED] as follows:

[REDACTED] and Company, Certified Public Accountants (CPA), who have an office on La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, keeps his books and also handles bookkeeping for [REDACTED] whose true name is [REDACTED] does business as [REDACTED] Enterprises and is in the promotion

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business. [ ] has been the promoter for auto and carpeting shows. About two years ago through Krupnicke and Company he became acquainted with [ ] and on three or four occasions have loaned him money which has been promptly paid back. He believed [ ] lives in Morton Grove, Illinois.

[ ] exhibited a second mortgage contract dated June 26, 1961, in the amount of \$18,000.00, payable \$300.00 per month with final payment due June 26, 1962. This contract was signed by [ ] and CARMELLA FARRELL, and typed thereon appeared the name LEW FARRELL, however his signature was not present. It was his understanding that FARRELL owned some land in Des Moines, Iowa, upon which a motel is to be built worth \$60,000.00. Therefore, [ ] who was to promote this motel, was loaned \$14,500.00 as reflected by the above contract. He thought perhaps [ ] had bought the land from FARRELL or held the first mortgage on the land.

Both LEW and CARMELLA FARRELL were unknown to him and [ ] has been making the \$300.00 payments. He was unable to furnish any further information concerning FARRELL or [ ]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa,  
may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On 9/28/61 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] KCC <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub> Date dictated 9/29/61

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This account reveals the following information:

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by SA [REDACTED] KCC Date dictated 10/30/61

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Date December 7, 1961Information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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Des Moines, may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum  
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On 11/29/61 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] jkh Date dictated 12/4/61

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(4) Politics

Issues of the Des Moines Register and Tribune, Des Moines, Iowa, during the fall months of 1961 reported on progress of a campaign in that city for three vacancies in the City Council. Among numerous candidates running for this position as Councilman was a local attorney named GEORGE G. WEST. In the primary election held to reduce the field of candidates to six, WEST finished second among all candidates. On October 30, 1961, an article appeared in the Des Moines Tribune newspaper, which article appeared on the front page of that newspaper, which reported that Mrs. FLORENCE WALLACE, a present member of the City Council, had advised a reporter of that newspaper that shortly after she took office in January, 1958, GEORGE WEST had brought LEW FARRELL and RALPH BUMPILORI to her home to seek her support for the appointment of CHARLES ANDREANO as Chief of Police. In regard to ANDREANO, this same article reported that ANDREANO never received the appointment at Chief, was dismissed from the Police Force in 1960 after he was implicated in scandals affecting the Des Moines Police Department.

This same article carried the denial by GEORGE WEST that Mrs. WALLACE's story was true. In this same article it was noted that WEST has office space in a building owned by RALPH BUMPILORI and which building houses the offices of the Sanitary Disposal Company.

It may be noted that in the election on November 7, 1961, the Des Moines Register issue of November 8, 1961, carried an article which disclosed that GEORGE WEST ran a very poor fourth in the field of six candidates and was not elected to the City Council.

(5) Farrell Sanitation Service  
Denver, Colorado

Confidential Informant OM T-1 on November 28, 1961, advised he had heard that LEW FARRELL owned or had some interest in a garbage and trash hauling business in Denver, Colorado, which operated under the name of the Farrell Sanitation Service.

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He stated he did not recall the source, that it was strictly rumor as far as he was concerned, and that he could not provide any additional information which might substantiate such information.

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- (1) At Rochester, Minnesota  
August 15-18, 1961

A review of long distance telephone calls charged to subject's residential telephone disclosed that beginning on August 15, 1961, and continuing daily thereafter to and including August 18, 1961, there was a series of telephone calls between Des Moines number AT 2-5937 (subject's residential telephone) and Rochester, Minnesota, number AT 2-2581, with calls indicating calls placed by FARRELL in Des Moines to the Rochester number and other calls indicating collect calls placed by FARRELL in Rochester calling his residence in Des Moines.

- (2) At Chicago, Illinois  
September 1-3, 1961

A review of long distance telephone calls referred to above disclosed that beginning at 7:18 p.m. and continuing daily until 9:52 p.m. September 3, 1961, there were numerous collect telephone calls made from unknown Chicago telephone(s) to subject's Des Moines residence by LEW FARRELL and other telephone calls made from Chicago by FARRELL to Omaha, which calls were charged to his Des Moines number. The Omaha telephone numbers called during this period were: 394-6105, 556-0833, 341-2266.

- (3) At Chicago, Illinois  
September 23, 1961

A review of long distance telephone calls referred to above disclosed that beginning at 11:58 a.m. September 23, 1961, and continuing until 1:55 p.m. September 23, 1961, there were three collect calls made from LEW FARRELL in Chicago to subject's residence in Des Moines.

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(4) At Omaha, Nebraska  
September 28-30, 1961

[redacted] United Air Lines, Omaha, Nebraska, on September 30, 1961, advised SA THOMAS W. CARROLL that LEW FARRELL on that date had purchased a one-way ticket from Omaha to Des Moines, Iowa, to leave Omaha on United Air Lines Flight 422, departing at 3:25 p.m. FARRELL's Omaha address was provided as Room 28, Town House.

[redacted] Town House Motel, Omaha, on October 17, 1961, advised SA CARROLL that LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, no city, representing the Altex Corporation, had registered into that motel at 11:31 a.m. September 28, 1961, and checked out at 10:48 a.m. September 30, 1961. During this period the following long distance telephone calls were charged to FARRELL's room: MO 4-2400, WE 9-2358, and SU 7-8222, all of Chicago, Illinois. Subject checked into this motel alone.

(5) At Omaha, Nebraska  
October 6-7, 1961

[redacted] on October 17, 1961, advised SA THOMAS W. CARROLL that LEW FARRELL, representing Altex Corporation, checked into Room 21 of that motel on October 6, 1961, at 11:08 a.m. and checked out at 1:16 p.m. October 7, 1961. On October 6, 1961, the following long distance calls were charged to subject's room: Des Moines, Iowa, number AT 8-9620; Elkhorn, Nebraska, number 3444; Lincoln, Nebraska, number 322-7701.

It may be noted that Des Moines number AT 8-9620 has previously been identified as an unlisted number of [redacted] [redacted] at the Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa.

(6) At Omaha, Nebraska  
October 10, 1961

A review of long distance calls referred to elsewhere in this report disclosed that on October 10, 1961, a collect call was made from LEW FARRELL in Omaha to his residence at 7:59 a.m. October 10, 1961.

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(7) At Chicago, Illinois  
October 13, 1961

A review of long distance calls referred to elsewhere in this report discloses that on October 13, 1961, two collect calls were made by LEW FARRELL in Chicago to subject's residential telephone in Des Moines which calls were made at 9:50 a.m. and 8:40 p.m.

(8) At Chicago, Illinois  
October 17-22, 1961

A review of long distance calls referred to elsewhere in this report discloses that on October 17, 1961, at 6:01 p.m. a collect call was made from LEW FARRELL in Chicago to subject's residential telephone in Des Moines; further, that on October 18, 1961, two telephone calls were made from subject's residential telephone in Des Moines to Chicago number HU 6-2600, Room 520, Extension 52, which calls were made at 1:41 p.m. and 8:48 p.m.; that on October 19, 1961, four collect calls were made in Chicago by LEW FARRELL and charged to subject's Des Moines residential telephone; that on October 20, 1961, one collect call was made from "LEW" to subject's residential telephone in Des Moines; that on October 21, 1961, a call was made from subject's residence in Des Moines to Chicago number HU 6-2600, Room 320, Extension 52; and that on October 22, 1961, at 8:55 a.m. a collect call was made from "LEW" to subject's Des Moines residence.

It may be noted that two of the collect calls charged to subject's residential telephone on October 19, 1961, were directed to Des Moines numbers CH 3-0597 and AT 3-2041.

Des Moines Criss-Cross Directory discloses that CH 3-0597 is listed to the Sanitary Disposal Company, Des Moines, and that AT 3-2041 is listed to the Great Plains Bag Company, 2201 Bell Street, Des Moines.

Des Moines Credit Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa, on December 7, 1961, advised that records of that bureau disclose the Great Plains Bag Company was initially

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incorporated on April 7, 1961, by [redacted] under the name Great Plains Bag Company. It may be noted that [redacted] is a brother of [redacted] previously identified as a FARRELL associate, and that [redacted] in 1957 was an officer of the Midwest Burlap and Bag Company of Des Moines, which company allegedly received assistance from LEW FARRELL in union activities of Omaha Local 10 of the Teamsters Union.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

OM T-1 is a local businessman in Des Moines, Iowa, who has been casually acquainted with Des Moines gamblers for a long period of time.

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Reporting Office <b>OMAHA</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>2/23/62</b>	Investigative Period <b>11/27/61 - 2/9/62</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka.</b>		Report made by  [Redacted]	Typed By:  <b>mrh</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

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## REFERENCES

Report of SA [Redacted] Omaha, 12/14/61.  
Phoenix letter to Omaha 12/12/61 (IO).  
Springfield letter to Omaha 1/5/62 (IO).  
Minneapolis airtel to Omaha 1/30/62 (IO).  
Chicago letter to Omaha 1/31/62 (IO).  
Omaha airtel to Las Vegas 1/31/62 (IO).  
Kansas City letter to Boston 1/29/62 entitled  
"Morris Klein, aka, IGA-LOTTERY" (IO).  
Las Vegas airtel to Omaha 2/8/62 (IO).

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## ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU

Original and one copy of letterhead memo entitled  
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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS: (1) Will identify subscribers to the following numbers, develop background information and thereafter interview re subject unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted:

CH 3-7818 called on 11/18/61;

CE 6-0123 called on 12/1/61 to DICK KAVNER (possibly identical to RICHARD KAVENER, Teamsters Union official);

FR 2-2557 called on 12/28/61;

\* [ ] called on 1/2/62 to [ ]

(2) Will interview [ ]  
re associations with subject.

(3) Conduct inquiry at St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital, 1120 N. Leavitt, re calls made from Room 320, allegedly by subject.

AT CICERO, ILLINOIS: (1) Will conduct investigation similar to that requested at Chicago, Illinois, in regard to telephone number TO 3-0590, called on 12/27/61.

AT SKOKIE, ILLINOIS: (1) Will conduct investigation similar to that requested at Chicago, Illinois, in regard to following telephone numbers:

NI 7-6622 called on 11/17/61;

NI 7-8920 called on 12/1/61.

MINNEAPOLIS

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA: (1) Will interview [ ]  
[ ] at the 620 Club, re subject unless information developed indicating such interview should not be conducted.

(2) Will interview [ ] Albans Road,  
concerning subject unless information developed indicating such interview should not be conducted.

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OMAHA

AT DES MOINES, IOWA: (1) Will follow and attempt to develop additional information re subject's alleged presence in Las Vegas, Nevada, in conference with JAMES HOFFA in 11/61.

(2) Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

(3) Will maintain contact with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

(4) Will maintain liaison with IRS, Des Moines, to determine progress made by that agency and to obtain investigative leads as they may develop.

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA: (1) Will conduct investigation similar to that requested at Chicago, Illinois, in regard to the following telephone numbers:

341-5311 called on 11/21/61 to [redacted]

553-1787 called on 1/8/62 to [redacted]

(2) Will obtain credit information concerning Ideal Roofing and Supply, 1701 Mason, and re Better Home Construction Co., 2408 Leavenworth.

(3) Will obtain credit and criminal information re [redacted] all of whom listed as recipients of telephone calls.

AT OSKALOOSA, IOWA: Will conduct investigation similar to that requested at Chicago, Illinois, in regard to [redacted], telephone number OR 3-3421.

AT GLEAR LAKE, IOWA: (1) Will interview [redacted] re their possible knowledge of the subject.

AT MASON CITY, IOWA: (1) Will interview [redacted] Midwest Construction Co., concerning his knowledge of subject.

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INFORMANTS

OM T-1: [redacted] Northwestern Bell Telephone Co.,  
Omaha, Nebraska, to SA [redacted] on 10/18, 19/61  
in 92-74-836, and on 1/19/62 in 92-74-837.

OM T-2: ASA [redacted] Commercial Manager, Lincoln Telephone and  
Telegraph Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, to SA [redacted]  
[redacted] on 12/19/61 in instant report.

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OM T-3: [redacted] to SA [redacted] on 12/19/61 in 92-74-  
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OM T-4: PCI [redacted] to SA [redacted]  
[redacted] on 1/15/62 in 92-74-835.

OM T-5: [redacted] United Air Lines Supervisor, Des  
Moines, Iowa, to SA [redacted] on 2/9/62  
in instant report.

Careful consideration has been given to each source  
concealed and T- symbols were utilized in this report in instances  
where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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Information from records of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, concerning long distance calls charged to Atlantic 2-5937, Des Moines, Iowa, was furnished SA [REDACTED] on 2/9/62 by [REDACTED] Commercial Supervisor.

Information obtained 1/31/62 from records of the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, was furnished SA [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] Vice President in Charge of that bank.

Information from records of telephone company at Mason City, Iowa, on 12/20/61 was made available by [REDACTED] Manager, Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Mason City, Iowa, to SA LEWIS E. GLENN.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, DES MOINES, IOWA

Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: OMAHA  
Date: 2/23/62

File Number: OM 92-74; BUREAU FILE 92-3185

Title: LEW FARRELL

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

Subject's telephonic contact with known Omaha, Kansas City, and Chicago associates continue. Investigation discloses several previously-unidentified telephonic contacts were in connection with FARRELL's employment with Altex Corp. Bank deposits in 1/62 included \$850.00 in currency. Info set forth re subject's travel to Rochester, Minnesota, and Chicago, Illinois. Results of investigation at Clear Lake and Mason City, Iowa, set out. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## DETAILS:

Lettered and numbered headings and subheadings in this report as well as captions for various subheadings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

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C. ASSOCIATES

(1)

Set forth on the following pages is information  
pertaining to [redacted]  
[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, during the  
above-specified period.

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Specific reference is made on the following pages only  
to [redacted]  
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Information pertaining to [redacted]  
[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, is maintained  
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Des Moines, Iowa, and may be obtained only by subpoena duces  
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On 2/9/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [redacted] mrh Date dictated 2/10/62

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(2) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed and Unidentified

The Springfield Division advised as follows regarding Springfield, Illinois, telephone number 529-1631 called on August 23, 1961, in person-to-person call for [redacted] charged to subject's residential telephone:

It was determined that Springfield, Illinois, number 529-1631 is assigned to the Holiday Inn Motel, Springfield. On December 21, 1961, [redacted] co-owner of the Holiday Inn Motel, advised SA [redacted] that a check of records of that motel, both for guests and employees, had not been able to ascertain the identity of an individual named [redacted] who may have received a call there on August 23, 1961.

The Phoenix Division advised as follows regarding a Phoenix, Arizona, telephone AL 8-4931 called on August 8, 1961, in a person-to-person call to DICK RICHARDS:

The following investigation was conducted by SA GERALD G. SNELL at Phoenix, Arizona:

Phoenix telephone directories list Alpine 8-4931 as being the first line of a business rotary phone assigned to Hercules Aluminum Company, 21 E. Buchanan Street, Phoenix. Telephone company records reveal WILLIAM RICHARD RICHARDS as President; [redacted] as Vice President, and [redacted] as Secretary and Treasurer. Phone service was installed in November, 1960, with a \$200.00 deposit and is considered a good account.

Sergeant [redacted] Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Identification Division, and [redacted] Record Bureau, Phoenix Police Department, on December 5, 1961, advised they had no criminal records for the above-listed RICHARDS and no indication of hoodlum connections.

[redacted] Phoenix Credit Bureau, on November 27, 1961, advised IC [redacted] the above RICHARDS have a satisfactory credit rating, have been in business in Phoenix for approximately one year, and no derogatory information appears in their files regarding them.

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Mr. WILLIAM RICHARD RICHARDS, also known as "Dick", President, Hercules Aluminum Company, 21 East Buchanan Street, Phoenix, Arizona, phone number ALpine 8-4931 and residence 7715 North First Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, residence phone number WIndsor 4-7405, advised that he and his sons went into business in Phoenix about one year ago, have previously been in the same business in Denver, Colorado, and originally came from Des Moines, Iowa.

Mr. RICHARDS readily admitted being acquainted with LEW FARRELL and is aware of the fact that FARRELL has been under investigation and observation by Law Enforcement Officers in the Des Moines area for several years, which is known to everyone in Des Moines through their local newspapers.

RICHARDS advised that he has had no unlawful or underhanded dealings with FARRELL in any respect, however, he did advise that FARRELL had called him in Phoenix on two or three occasions last summer. He stated that FARRELL was trying to get the Hercules Aluminum Company in Phoenix to act as the local dealer for aluminum merchandise manufactured by the Alltex Corporation of Waukesha, Wisconsin. RICHARDS advised that their company being already agents of other suppliers with sufficient merchandise, declined FARRELL's offers and since that time he has heard nothing from FARRELL. RICHARDS advised that he runs a legitimate business and does not care to have any association with FARRELL.

On 12/8/61 at Phoenix, Arizona File # PX 92-272

by SA GERALD C. SNELL/ebt/mrh Date dictated 12/9/61



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Previous investigation had disclosed subject, between August 15 - 18, 1961, made a series of telephone calls from Rochester, Minnesota, telephone number AT 2-2581. The Minneapolis Division advised this number assigned to the switchboard of the Kahler Hotel, Rochester, Minnesota. Details of information developed by Minneapolis Division regarding subject's presence at the Kahler Hotel during stated period is set forth elsewhere in the report under caption "Travel." Minneapolis Division furnished information regarding telephone numbers called by subject or members of his party at the Kahler Hotel, as follows:

Minneapolis telephone number Federal 6-5877 is listed to the 620 Club, a public restaurant, 620 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis;

Minneapolis number [redacted] is residential telephone of [redacted] Road, Minneapolis.

Investigation conducted by the Chicago Division on previously-unidentified telephones set forth on the following page.

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The Public Service Directory of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, reflects the following information:

Telephone number BU 8-5670 is listed to Kaye Brothers, 862 East 63rd Street, Chicago, Sportswear

Telephone number HU 6-2600 is listed to St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital, 1120 North Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois.

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On 1/12/62 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-437  
by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/meb Date dictated 1/18/62

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-1 on October 18 and 19, 1961, advised the following-listed telephone numbers in Omaha, Nebraska, had the indicated subscribers:

556-2041 - National Home Supply, Inc.,  
4408 Capitol

556-2043 - same as above, trunk line

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342-4390 - Oddo's Drive-In, 2410 South 14th

[REDACTED] - [REDACTED]

345-7467 - PETER CAPELLUPO, 2108 Poppleton

342-1332 - Center Construction and Supply,  
2226 South 16th

551-2176 - this is a dead number and it is not possible to determine who the subscriber was.

Omaha T-1 on January 19, 1962, advised regarding identity of subscribers to the following Omaha, Nebraska, telephone numbers:

822-8139 - no such number; current Omaha Telephone Directory lists no one by the name of [REDACTED]

341-2266 - Ideal Roofing and Supply, 1701 Mason

345-6692 - AAA Beer Distributing, Inc., 501  
South 8th Street. City Directory lists [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as officer of this corporation. Previous investigation conducted and reported regarding connections between Oddos and subject.

345-8228 - Better Homes Construction Company,  
2408 Leavenworth

556-2041 - National Home Supply Company, 4408  
Capitol.

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The current City Directory of Mason City, Iowa, reveals that Clear Lake, Iowa, telephone number [redacted] is subscribed to by [redacted], Iowa.

This City Directory reveals that [redacted] and wife [redacted], Clear Lake, Iowa, and that he is employed at the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, Mason City, Iowa.

The current Mason City-Clear Lake, Iowa, telephone directory shows [redacted] [redacted] Iowa, has telephone number [redacted].

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On 12/19/61 at Mason City, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA LEWIS E. GLENN:db Date dictated 12/20/61

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Records of the [redacted]  
Mason City, Iowa, reveal that [redacted]

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[redacted] Mason City, Iowa.

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by SA LEWIS E. GLENN:db Date dictated 12/20/61

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In regard to Lincoln, Nebraska, telephone number 322-7701 allegedly called from Town House Motel, Omaha, Nebraska, on October 6, 1961, from FARRELL's room, it was ascertained from Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 on October 19, 1961, that such number is nonexistent in Lincoln, Nebraska.

**D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES**

**(1) Connections with Kansas City, Missouri**

Information previously set forth under above caption disclosed that on July 26, 1961, information was provided by sources in Kansas City, Missouri, that among prominent members of the Italian criminal organization in Kansas City known to be friendly with FARRELL was MORRIS KLEIN.

The Kansas City Division advised on January 29, 1962, in regard to MORRIS "SNAG" KLEIN, operator of the Original Toy and Jobbing Mart, 303 West 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and further identified this place of business as a meeting place for elements of the criminal world in Kansas City. Information provided included data that on August 11, 1961, a telephone call was made from Kansas City telephone Harrison 1-7245, listed to the above-described Original Toy and Jobbing Mart, which call made to Des Moines, Iowa, number AT 2-5937, identified elsewhere in this report as subject's residential telephone.

**E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES**

**(1) Regional Sales Manager  
Altex Corporation  
Waukesha, Wisconsin.**

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on December 19, 1961, advised he has not seen subject recently, but has heard FARRELL now associated with an aluminum company of some kind from Wisconsin and traveling a good deal of the time for that company.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 on January 16, 1962, advised there is very little talk around Des Moines recently in regard to FARRELL; that FARRELL appears to be busy selling and handling accounts for an aluminum company out of Wisconsin.

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It will be noted that in an interview with [redacted] President of the Altex Corporation, on October 27, 1961, [redacted] was quoted as stating that FARRELL operates from his home and from the offices of the union with which he is affiliated. [redacted] was reinterviewed on January 24, 1962, in regard to this latter statement. Results of that interview are set forth on the following page.

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[redacted] Chicago, advised that he contacts LEW FARRELL by phone at FARRELL's home. He added to the best of his knowledge, FARRELL conducts his business from his residence for the Alltex Corporation. He stated that he does not believe that FARRELL is connected in any way with any union, and feels it is possible that the interviewing agents misunderstood him at the time of his last interview.

On 1/24/62 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-437  
by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/meb/mrh Date dictated 1/25/62

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(2) Farrell Sanitation Service  
Denver, Colorado

It was previously set forth under above caption that information had been received that FARRELL owned or had an interest in a firm operating under name of Farrell Sanitation Service in Denver, Colorado.

Investigation by the Denver Division disclosed the following:

As of January 22, 1962, current Denver City Directories and Telephone Directories contained no reference to the Farrell Sanitation Company.

Denver indices negative. On January 22, 1962, SA PAUL E. BUSH checked records of the Retail Credit Men's Association, Denver, Colorado, with negative results concerning this matter.

On January 22, 1962, [redacted] Manager of the Office of Excise and Revenue, City and County of Denver, informed SA PAUL E. BUSH that all companies engaged in ash, trash, and garbage hauling in the City and County of Denver are required to be licensed through his office. He stated that a check of his files reveals no information identifiable with Farrell Sanitation Company.

(3) Financial Matters

On the following pages appear results of review of records of [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.

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Date February 8, 1962Information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]Des Moines, Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum  
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b7DThis account reveals the following information:  
[REDACTED]On 1/31/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74by SA [REDACTED] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub> mrh Date dictated 2/5/62

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Date February 8, 1962Information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] DesMoines, Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum  
issued to [REDACTED]  
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b7DOn 1/31/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74by SA [REDACTED] mrh Date dictated 2/5/62b6  
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G. TRAVEL

(1) At Rochester, Minnesota, August 13 - 19, 1961



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Results of investigation at Rochester, Minnesota, are set forth on the following pages.

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b7D the following information was obtained:

On 12/27/61 at Rochester, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 92-86  
by SA ROBERT L. CARLSON/ebk/mrh Date dictated 12/29/61

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needed, a subpoena should be directed to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Date January 5, 1962

Mrs. FRANCIS PETRICK, clerk in the registration section of the Mayo Clinic, advised that on August 14, 1961 ANTHONY JOHN BUMPILORI, 2028 Avalon Street, Des Moines, Iowa, registered at the Mayo Clinic under registration number 2-367-593. He reflected is date of birth as February 7, 1910, and his wife as [redacted] He listed his occupation as working for his brother [redacted] as a parking attendant at 2105 Park Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

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On 12/27/61 at Rochester, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 92-86  
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(2) At Las Vegas, Nevada, November, 1961

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 on January 31, 1961, advised he had received information, which was unsubstantiated in his opinion, that LEW FARRELL had been observed in a hotel room in Las Vegas, Nevada, about the middle of November, 1961, at which time FARRELL allegedly in conference with Teamster President JAMES HOFFA and Des Moines, Iowa, Teamsters Union Attorney [REDACTED] T-4 stated this reportedly occurred at the Sands Hotel, Las Vegas.

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The Las Vegas Division furnished information on February 8, 1962, that JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA arrived in Las Vegas on October 13, 1961; checked into the Riviera Hotel, and departed Las Vegas on October 18, 1961. HOFFA was reported not known to have been at the Sands Hotel and not known to have been in Las Vegas during the middle of November, 1961.

(3) At Chicago, Illinois, December 12 - 16, 1961

A review of telephone calls charged to subject's residential telephone for the period December 12, 1961, through December 16, 1961, disclosed eight collect telephone calls made from Chicago, Illinois, to his residential telephone during that period, with calls on December 14, 15 and 16, 1961, reflecting the person making the collect calls identified as "LEW," "LEW FARRELL," or "FARRELL."

(4) To Chicago, Illinois, January 3, 1962

Information set forth pertaining to bank account of Mrs. LEW FARRELL for the month of January, 1962, reflects a check drawn on that account dated January 3, 1962, for \$23.98 payable to United Air Lines and endorsed by United Air Lines with stamp indicating check in payment for UAL Flight 402 on January 3, 1962.

On February 9, 1962, Confidential Informant Omaha T-5 advised review of UAL records for January 3, 1962, failed to disclose that LEW FARRELL departed UAL, Des Moines, on Flight 402, which is a flight from Des Moines to Chicago, Illinois, or on any other flight on January 3, 1962.



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Date January 11, 1962

Records of the [redacted] Clear  
Lake, Iowa, reveal the following information:

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duces tecum which should be directed to [redacted]  
[redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa.

On 1/9/62 at Clear Lake, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA LEWIS E. GLENN:mrh Date dictated 1/9/62

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The following investigation was conducted by SA LEWIS E. GLENN:

On December 20, 1961, [redacted] Reporter, Credit Bureau of Mason City, Iowa, advised the Credit Bureau has maintained a file on [redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa, since 1948. His wife's name is [redacted] and he is shown as having [redacted] dependents. His occupation is shown as laborer at the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, Mason City, Iowa. As of June, 1961, he had been employed by this company three and one-half years, earning approximately \$350.00 per month. The file shows he is buying his home; that he has a real estate contract with [redacted] having paid \$500.00 down and monthly payments of \$50.00. The file also shows that in June, 1961, the Clear Lake Bank and Trust Company advised [redacted] was a man of good character and habits; that he has made some small loans at the bank and has handled them in a prompt manner; that he maintains a small checking account. His credit references show five references reporting him as paying as agreed and one as being prompt. The file shows that in April, 1960, [redacted] obtained a loan from the Thrift Plan, Mason City, Iowa, in the amount of \$1,297.44 on a 1956 Mercury; this loan is being repaid at the rate of \$54.06 per month, and as of June, 1961, he still owed \$540.60; the loan is being handled as agreed. [redacted] advised the file shows no suits, judgments, or liens against [redacted] and there are no unfavorable newspaper clippings in the file.

[redacted] stated the records of the Credit Bureau show the Midwest Construction and Supply Company, 818 South Federal, Mason City, Iowa, is owned by [redacted] Mason City, Iowa. She said this company has been in business since April, 1961, having filed the trade name in July, 1960. The business in which this company is engaged is siding, and remodeling, selling and applying the siding, and there are seven employees, including salesmen and workmen. The Credit Bureau file shows Articles of Incorporation for this company were filed in July, 1961, showing a capital stock of \$50,000.00 divided into 500 shares at \$100.00 per share par value; that the Directors of the Corporation are ALEX P. and ETHEL DESPENAS. She said the Credit Bureau files indicate that of the \$5,000.00 originally invested in this company, \$2,500.00 was furnished by [redacted], who is listed as an employee of the company. There are no suits, judgments, or liens against the company, and the credit record is satisfactory.

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Concerning the credit reports on [redacted] the file shows that as of July, 1961, he had a loan with the First National Bank, Mason City, Iowa, in the amount of \$5,178.25 on a 1961 Cadillac; that in August, 1961, he had a loan with the American State Bank, Mason City, in the amount of \$2,956.26 on a 1961 Chevrolet. He has a real estate mortgage in the amount of \$4,600.00 at the United Home Bank and Trust Company, Mason City, and a real estate mortgage in the amount of \$16,500.00 at the Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association, Mason City, Iowa. He is shown to be [redacted] years of age; his wife's maiden name was [redacted] and they have six children. He previously was employed by Nationwide Builders, address not shown, and as of 1953 he was manager of the Helzberg Jewelry Store, Mason City, Iowa. The file indicates he entered the U. S. Navy in January, 1943. He is a graduate of the Mason City High School, and formerly was employed by the Northwestern States Portland Cement Company, Mason City, Iowa. [redacted] stated there is nothing of an unfavorable nature in the file except for one paid collection in 1957; that eleven creditors have rated him "as agreed;" five as "prompt;" and one as "medium." He reportedly owns land valued at \$10,000.00 on U. S. Highway 18 West from which he allegedly receives \$800.00 yearly rental; and his home at 237 Park Ridge Drive in Mason City is reportedly valued at \$25,000.00.

On January 9, 1962, Chief of Police NELS LARSEN, Clear Lake, Iowa, advised that [redacted] Clear Lake Police Department #498, has been arrested by this department on several occasions since 1951 for intoxication, driving violations, operating motor vehicle while intoxicated, and disorderly conduct. He is described in the Police Department records as a white male, born [redacted] pounds, [redacted] hair, [redacted] eyes, [redacted] Chief LARSEN said [redacted] served time several years ago from Garner, Iowa.

Chief LARSEN said his files contain no information concerning [redacted].

On January 9, 1962, Deputy Sheriff RAY LEE, Cerro Gordo County Sheriff's Office, Mason City, Iowa, advised the records of this office contain information concerning [redacted] under FBI [redacted] showing he has an arrest record dating back to November 27, 1936, at which time he was sent to the Iowa State Training School for Boys, Eldora, Iowa. He has been arrested for violations of the postal laws, interstate transportation of stolen motor vehicle, and larceny.

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Chief of Police LARSEN advised [redacted] is the owner and operator of the PM Marine, located on the south shore of Clear Lake, Iowa, which is a boat loading and landing operation.

On January 10, 1962, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Mason City, Iowa, advised her records show [redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa, has a wife, [redacted] children. The record shows three unpaid collections and six paid collections. His credit rating is poor. He formerly was employed by [redacted], a building contractor in Clear Lake, Iowa. He does his banking at the Clear Lake Bank and Trust Company, Clear Lake, Iowa.



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Omaha, Nebraska  
February 23, 1962

LEW FARRELL, aka.  
Anti-Racketeering

Reference is made to report of Special Agent  
 Omaha, dated February  
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All Confidential Informants referred to in  
that report have furnished reliable infor-  
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Omaha, Nebraska  
February 23, 1962

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Reference is made to report of Special Agent —  
[redacted] Omaha, February 23, 1962, entitled  
Lew Farrell, aka., Anti-Racketeering.

Omaha T-1 is an employee of a private business organization in Omaha, Nebraska, who is in a position to furnish information on a continuing basis concerning the identification of telephone numbers in the City of Omaha.

Omaha T-2 is an employee of a private business organization in Lincoln, Nebraska, who is in a position to furnish information on a continuing basis concerning the identification of telephone numbers in the City of Lincoln.

Omaha T-3 is a Des Moines, Iowa, tavern operator who has had close connections with several Des Moines gamblers and burglars for a long period of time.

Omaha T-4 is a local businessman in Des Moines, Iowa, who has been casually acquainted with Des Moines gamblers for a long period of time.

Omaha T-5 is an employee of a private business organization in Des Moines, Iowa, who is in a position to furnish information on a continuing basis concerning airline flights to and from Des Moines, Iowa.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/7/62

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, aka.

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MAX ABRAMSON, aka.

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United States Attorney [redacted] Northern District of Iowa, Sioux City, Iowa, recently advised this office a Departmental attorney had casually discussed the subjects of the above two cases with him. In view of this, [redacted] requested that even though neither subject resides in the Northern District of Iowa, FARRELL being a resident of Des Moines, in the Southern District of Iowa, and ABRAMSON a resident of Omaha, in the District of Nebraska, he would like to have future reports in these cases in order to keep abreast of the developments.

It is recommended his request be honored and future reports in these two cases will be furnished [redacted] UACB.

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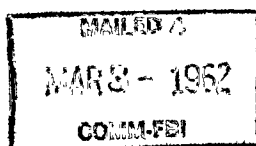
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# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (92-3185)

DATE: 3/9/62

FROM : SAC, Omaha (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, aka  
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ReBulet 2/20/62, entitled "Administrative Review, Criminal Intelligence Program, Omaha Division," which requested advice from this office concerning establishment of highly confidential source coverage on LEW FARRELL.

Previous investigative experience over the past four years, which has included surveillances, spot surveillances, informant coverage, interviews with acquaintances, and results of coverage of long distance telephone calls from FARRELL, has failed to disclose any particular location where FARRELL conducts his operations other than his residence at 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. A recent interview with an official of Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin, which has been employing FARRELL since July, 1961, as a sales representative, verified that FARRELL operates Altex business from his residence.

When away from his residence, FARRELL is known to contact his friends and associates at taverns, restaurants, and business establishments, but only for limited periods of time and in an erratic pattern. Therefore, no consideration is being given to these latter locations.

It would appear that the only location feasible and potentially useful in this matter would be the FARRELL residence. In this connection, however, it is desired to note that no information has ever been developed which would indicate that FARRELL has actual meetings or even individual contacts at his home. Therefore, the potential insofar as covering meetings between FARRELL and his associates at his residence appears doubtful.

All information available does indicate, however, that FARRELL uses his residence as a place from which to telephonically make his contacts. It is desired to point out

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in this connection that FARRELL has five small children, that the FARRELL residence is a small, one-story house with the family living quarters confined to the living - dining room area. It would thus appear that family noises, i.e., children at play, television and radio, and general conversation would possibly dominate and obscure any particular telephonic conversation taking place from the FARRELL house which might be obtained.

The telephone calls made by FARRELL have not been confined to any particular pattern of time of day, but range from early morning to late at night. Such long distance calls as have been reviewed over the past several years are found to average approximately thirty per month. Of these, many would undoubtedly be in connection with his legitimate business activities. In view of this it would appear that the actual number of telephone conversations which would potentially contain information of a criminal intelligence nature might be quite limited.

In view of FBI investigation of FARRELL over the past several years and of a current intensive investigation being conducted in recent months by the Internal Revenue Service, it is believed FARRELL is extremely sensitive to investigation by the government and that any investigative technique located in his home would pose a definite security risk.

This office does wish to point out that in the several years FARRELL has been under investigation no substantive information has been brought to the attention of this office or of any other office reflecting actual criminal activity on the part of FARRELL which would lie within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. There have been rumors and vague allegations, none of which have been verified by investigation. There is no doubt, based on known personal and telephonic contacts, that FARRELL is acquainted with a number of well known hoodlums in various midwestern cities and with a number of Teamsters and other Labor Union officials.

Based on the above, Omaha does not recommend the establishment of highly confidential source coverage at the FARRELL home.

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This office will continue its efforts to develop information pertaining to FARRELL and his activities and particularly toward ascertaining information regarding meeting places and locations where FARRELL makes contacts that might at a later date prove more feasible and productive for highly confidential investigative techniques.

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Reporting Office <b>OMAHA</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>4/27/62</b>	Investigative Period <b>2/3-4/18/62</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>0</b> <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		Report made by <b>SA [REDACTED]</b>	Typed By: <b>KCC</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] 2/23/62 at Omaha.  
Minneapolis Airtel to Omaha 3/20/62. (IO)  
Chicago Airtels to Omaha 3/28 and 29, 1962. (IO)  
Omaha Airtel to Chicago 4/6/62. (IO)

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## ENCLOSURE

### TO BUREAU

Original and two copies of letterhead memo entitled  
"Characterization of Informants."

### LEADS:

#### CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will note information set forth  
in cover pages and will attempt ascertain from [REDACTED]  
additional information regarding subject and his contacts and

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associations with DOMINIC DI VELLA and other Chicago hoodlums; will note referenced Chicago Airtel of March 28, 1962, refers to one of the patrons of the Sunshine Restaurant as DOMINIC DE BELLO and referenced Chicago Airtel of March 29, 1962, refers to a contact between FARRELL and one DOMINIC DI VELLA; will advise if these Chicago hoodlums are one and the same individual.

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT BRITTON, OKLAHOMA. Will identify subscriber to following number, attempt develop background on subscriber and identify and develop background data on person called; will, thereafter, interview the person called unless information is available indicating such interview should not be conducted:

called on 2/17/62 person to person to (ph)

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AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA. Will identify subscriber to listed telephones, determine background thereof, and unless information is available indicating interview should not be conducted, will interview the subscriber:

342-1347 called on 2/7/62;

342-4451 called on 2/22/62;

342-4743 called on 2/23/62.

Will maintain contacts with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

1. AT DES MOINES, IOWA. Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

2. Will, in view decrease in telephone calls from subject's residence and his reported increase in time at Sanitary Disposal Company, make review of long distance calls charged to Sanitary Disposal Company since 1/1/62.

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3. Will maintain liaison with Internal Revenue Service, Des Moines, to determine progress made by that agency and to obtain investigative leads as they may develop.

4. Will maintain contact with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

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- OM T-1 [ ] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha, Nebraska, by SA [ ] on 3/7 and 12/62 in 92-74-875;
- OM T-2 [ ] Reporter, Des Moines Register Newspaper, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ] instant report;
- OM T-3 [ ] Reporter, Des Moines Tribune Newspaper, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ] instant report;
- OM T-4 [ ] by SA [ ] on 2/3/62 in 92-74-848; by SA [ ] on 3/16/62 in 92-74-871;
- OM T-5 [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ] in instant report;
- OM T-6 [ ] Terminal Manager, United Air Lines, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ] in instant report;
- OM T-7 [ ] Terminal Manager, Braniff Airways, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ] in instant report;
- OM T-8 [ ] Clerk, Town House Motel, by SA [ ] in 92-74-877;
- OM T-9 [ ] Supervisor, United Air Lines, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ]

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T-symbols were utilized in this report in instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Information set forth below provided by Chicago in Chicago Airtel of 3/29/62 and follow up inquiry by Omaha which was furnished Chicago in referenced Omaha Airtel of 4/6/62 is being placed under above caption and not in body of report due to request by Chicago that information provided by Chicago [ ] not be disseminated and further request that extreme care be taken in use of information inasmuch as informant's life considered to be endangered should the information be traced to informant.

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By referenced Chicago Airtel of 3/29/62 the following information furnished Omaha Division:

On 3/22/62 [ ] advised that a SOL BARON stood trial in Omaha, Nebraska, on 3/19/62 on an insurance fraud charge. This case was set up as a jury trial and dismissed prior to the case going to the jury. This case never went to the jury due to a pre-arranged scheme between prosecuting attorney [ ] and defense attorney [ ]

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Upon being advised of the trial in Omaha, Nebraska, SOL BARON through Chicago hoodlum DOMINIC DI VELLA approached LEW FARRELL in Omaha. Through the contacts of LEW FARRELL, JOHN HANLEY the county prosecutor for Douglas County, Omaha, Nebraska, came to Chicago in October or November, 1961, to meet BARON. BARON furnished HANLEY with a room in the Ambassador East Hotel and provided him with a girl for prostitution purposes.

On 12/20/61 BARON met LEW FARRELL in the Town House Motel on the outskirts of Omaha. FARRELL came to BARON's room and while in the company of BARON received numerous telephone

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calls and had several visitors. The purpose of this meeting was to make arrangements for the fixing of BARON's trial on 3/19/62. Through FARRELL's arrangement, JOHN HANLEY received \$1,000.00 and THOMAS KELLY \$500.00.

Chicago [redacted] furnished FARRELL's home telephone number as Atlantic 2-5937 and the office telephone as Cherry 3-0597. He stated FARRELL is a prominent Omaha hoodlum and the operator of a salvage and scavenger service in the Omaha area.

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Information set forth in referenced Omaha airtel of 4/6/62 was as follows:

The files of the State District Court in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court, Omaha, Nebraska, were examined by SA [redacted] on 4/3 and 4/6/62 and the following information was obtained:

A complaint was filed in municipal court, Omaha, on 1/4/61 by [redacted] (Lieutenant in the Omaha Police Department), charging that ROBERT PRINCE, alias SOL BARON, did on 10/18/60 by false pretenses and representations obtain from the Travelers Insurance Company certain monies in excess of \$35.00 with the intent to cheat and defraud said Travelers Insurance Company. A warrant was issued the same date and was executed by arrest 4/20/61. BARON pleaded not guilty in municipal court on 4/21/61 and was bound over to District Court on \$2,500.00 bond.

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An Information was filed in District Court 4/24/61. The matter came on for trial 3/19/62. JOHN HANLEY, Douglas County Attorney, was the prosecutor, and TOM KELLEY was the Defense Attorney. These two men and BARON appeared in court. R. L. SMITH was the presiding judge. BARON was arraigned and stood mute which was taken by the court as a plea of not guilty. Upon application to the court it was ordered that the County Attorney be given leave to strike from the information the name [redacted] as State witness. The jury heard the opening statements and the evidence the state adduced in part and the trial was adjourned until Tuesday morning 3/20/62 at 9:30 a.m.



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On 3/20/62 the trial was continued and BARON appeared with his counsel. County Attorney HANLEY was also present. The records state in part, "...jury heard further evidence of the State adduced and the State rests. Thereupon motion of defendant for directed verdict is presented to the court." The court sustained the motion and the jury was discharged from further consideration of the case. The defendant was discharged and the appearance bond which had been furnished by the defendant was exonerated.

As set forth in body of report, investigation has disclosed FARRELL was registered at the Town House Motel on 12/20-21/62. It may be further noted that in referenced report of 2/23/62 page 17, there is set forth that on 12/22/61 there was deposited into the bank account of subject's wife, a sum of \$600.00.

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Information from records of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, concerning long distance calls charged to AT 2-5937, Des Moines, was furnished to SA [redacted] on 3/13 and 4/17/62 by [redacted], Commercial Supervisor.

Information obtained 2/28/62 and 4/17/62 from records of the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, was furnished SA [redacted] by [redacted], Vice President in Charge of that bank.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Des Moines, Iowa  
1 - USA, Sioux City, Iowa

Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: 4/27/62

Office: Omaha, Nebraska

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File Number: Omaha 92-74

Bureau File No.: 92-3185

Title: LEW FARRELL

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject's telephonic contacts with known Omaha, Kansas City and Chicago associates continue. Results of interviews with several FARRELL associates and acquaintances set forth; all profess only casual association with FARRELL and only vague knowledge of FARRELL business affairs. FARRELL not known to have been in contact with JAMES HOFFA, Teamsters Union President, during HOFFA visit to Des Moines 4/8-9/62. Subject reportedly devoting more of his time to affairs of Sanitary Disposal Company. Bank deposits, February, 1962, included \$500.00 cash in April, 1962, included \$400.00 cash as of 4/17/62. Subject in Omaha 12/20-21/61 flew to Chicago 4/4/62. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## DETAILS:

Lettered and numbered headings and sub-headings in this report, as well as captions and sub-headings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

C. ASSOCIATES

(1) [REDACTED]

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Set forth on the following pages is information pertaining to

[redacted] during the above specified period.

Where information previously or currently furnished has identified [redacted] involved, such identity is set forth accompanied by an asterisk (\*).

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Date March 19, 1962

Information pertaining to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, is maintained at  
the [REDACTED] and  
may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]  
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On 3/13/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] pjg Date dictated 3/13/62

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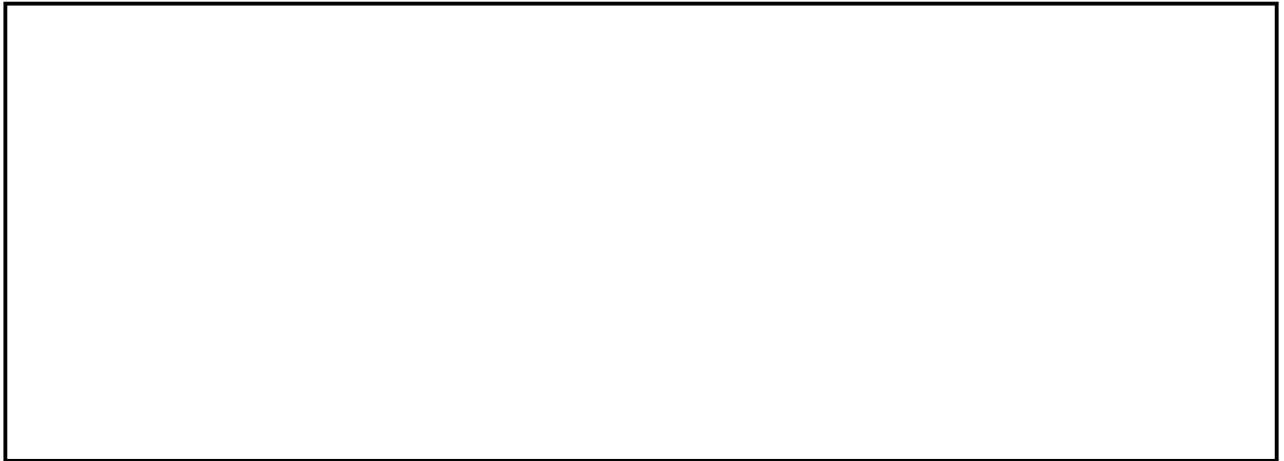
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(2) Identify of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed and Unidentified:

The Chicago Division provided information regarding telephone numbers previously recorded as having been called from subject's residential number, as follows:

[redacted] called on November 18, 1961 - [redacted]  
[redacted] Chicago

CE 6-0123 called on December 1, 1961 - Bismarck Hotel, 171 West Randolph Street, Chicago;

FR 2-2557 called on December 28, 1961 - an unpublished number;

FR 2-9848 called on January 2, 1962 - [redacted]  
Attorney, 39 South LaSalle Street, Chicago;

TO 3-0590 called on December 27, 1961 - an unpublished number;

NI 7-6622 called on November 17, 1961 - Niles Aluminum Corporation of Illinois,

- 7450 North Milwaukee,  
Niles, Illinois;

NI 7-8920 called on December 1, 1961 - Sunshines Restaurant and Lounge,

- 7480 Milwaukee,  
Niles, Illinois.

In regard to the Sunshines Restaurant, the Chicago Division advised this restaurant is used as a meeting place for various well known Chicago hoodlums, such as ROSS PRIO, JOE DE VARCO, JAMES ALLEGRETTI, ROCCO POTENZA, and DOMINIC DE BELLO..

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA:

The Ottumwa, Iowa, telephone directory reflects that MU 4-8882 is listed to the Modern Homes Improvements Company, 317 East Main, Ottumwa. Review of the records of the Ottumwa Credit Bureau on March 15, 1962, disclosed that [redacted] is owner of the Modern Homes Improvements Company, a siding and home

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improvement company. Credit Bureau records reflect that [redacted] resides at [redacted] was formerly a salesman for Nationwide Builders and previously resided in Des Moines, Iowa, at [redacted] Nothing of a derogatory nature was contained in his credit bureau file.

- (3) Interview with persons previously identified as telephone contacts.

Investigation conducted by the Minneapolis Division follows immediately.



Date March 20, 1962

[ ] advised that he has known LEW FARRELL for many years as, years ago, he, [ ] "a piece" in a restaurant in Des Moines, Iowa. He advised that he has had no contact with FARRELL for many months and has not seen him for a considerably longer period.

[ ] advised that he last heard from FARRELL when FARRELL telephoned him about six or seven months ago from Rochester, Minnesota, trying to get [ ] to help him get appointments for himself and some friends who were with him in Rochester at the Mayo Clinic.

[ ] advised although he knows many doctors in the Mayo Clinic and occasionally does assist acquaintances and friends of his in setting up appointments at the Clinic through his contacts there, he told FARRELL to try to contact [ ] who operates a dress shop in the Habler Arcade in Rochester, Minnesota, and that perhaps [ ] could arrange appointments for FARRELL and his friends.

[ ] stated that he has very little contact with FARRELL and that, while he has heard through public sources of FARRELL's associations with possible hoodlum elements, he knows nothing of those associations personally and that in the past when he knew FARRELL at Des Moines, Iowa, FARRELL had always been a decent sort of person with him although his contacts with him were purely social and not in any way connected with any business. He advised he has very little information concerning FARRELL's present activities although he heard FARRELL is reported to be in the roofing and siding business at Des Moines.

On 3/15/62 at Minneapolis, Minnesota File # MP 52-86

by SA JOHN L. ROBERTS:sno Date dictated 3/20/62

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The indices of the Minneapolis Office were negative as to [redacted] Hopkins, Minnesota.

[redacted] Minneapolis Retail Credit Bureau, Plymouth Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on February 7, 1962, advised that [redacted] (note spelling), Ten East St. Albans Road, Hopkins, Minnesota, a suburb of Minneapolis, is a manufacturer's agent listed currently as handling the Kay Windsor line, 1400 Broadway, New York City, New York. [redacted] advised their records reflect that [redacted] and his wife, [redacted] have resided in Minneapolis since 1959 and formerly resided at [redacted] Long Island, New York, where he was employed as a salesman for Nat Lynn Dress Company, 1400 West 38th Street, New York City. [redacted] advised that [redacted] has had a good credit rating from 1957 to date and his records reflect that he is listed as earning over \$20,000 per year.

On February 7, 1962, [redacted] Identification Officer, Minneapolis Police Department, advised he was unable to locate an arrest record for [redacted]. Efforts were made to contact [redacted] at his residence on numerous occasions with negative results, it being determined that he was in almost constant travel status and his itinerary was unknown to his wife; however, on March 19, 1962, [redacted] advised [redacted] was at the Paxton Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska, through March 20, 1962, which information was furnished to the Omaha Office.

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Investigation conducted by the Omaha Division set out below.

February 21, 1962  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

ANTHONY LAWRENCE MITILIER was contacted at his residence, 6269 Pine Street, Omaha, Nebraska. He was advised that he was not required to make a statement, but that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised of his right to consult an attorney before making any statement.

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MITILIER said he is commonly known as LARRY MITILIER and that he also uses the name LARRY MILLER. He was born in New York City, November 23, 1910, he advised.

MITILIER stated he met LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, approximately 20 years ago when MITILIER was in the retail liquor and beer business. He said FARRELL was a beer distributor out of Des Moines at that time. He stated he has been friendly with FARRELL since that time and that he has occasionally loaned him \$100.00 or \$200.00. These loans were not business loans, but were merely loans to a friend and FARRELL has repaid him in each case. He said FARRELL has never loaned him any money.

MITILIER denied knowing FARRELL's business but said he meets FARRELL occasionally when he comes to Omaha and takes him to his hotel or some other place FARRELL indicates. MITILIER said that he knows of no official connection that FARRELL has with any union, but knows FARRELL is friendly with [redacted] and [redacted] of the Teamsters Union. He said he has met [redacted] and [redacted] probably through FARRELL, but does not know them well. MITILIER said he has not seen FARRELL for the past three months or so.

During the past ten or eleven years MITILIER has been connected with the following home construction businesses, all Omaha, as owner, part owner, or employee:

Universal Builders and Supply Company, Omaha,  
with TONY ODDO and [redacted]  
Biltmore Construction Company, with DON  
BORDY and [redacted]  
Center Construction Company, with [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted]  
Record Realty Company, with [redacted]

On 2/14/62 at Omaha, Nebraska File # OM 92-74  
by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] mnh Date dictated 2/15/62

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MITILIER said he presently operates Alasco Aluminum Corporation out of his residence in Omaha, and that this company is a construction company building homes and repairing homes. He also has the Miller Realty Company at his residence..

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Date March 13, 1962

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[redacted] Owner, Midwest Construction Company, 818 South Federal, Mason City, Iowa, furnished the following information:

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[redacted] and for a time was purchasing materials from the Altex Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin. He said that sometime during the summer of 1961, he received a telephone call from LEW FARRELL from Des Moines, Iowa, at which time FARRELL told him he had bought into the Altex Corporation and was handling the sales in this area. He desired to come to Mason City and meet [redacted]. He said that FARRELL subsequently came to Mason City and took him out to dinner. He said this is the only time he has ever seen FARRELL except for one occasion when he was in Des Moines, Iowa, with some friends and they were at the Diplomat Club, and someone introduced him to FARRELL. He said that when he reminded FARRELL they had met, FARRELL did not recall having met him. He said that FARRELL mentioned that he also was in the garbage collection business in Des Moines, and he expressed the opinion that Mason City could use such a service. He told [redacted] that Mason City could procure this service for a small down payment.

[redacted] said he has not seen FARRELL since that time and has had no contact with him. He stated he has heard rumors that FARRELL is somehow connected with the underworld and the "syndicate" but he could furnish no specific information in this regard, stating he has heard this from various unrecalled sources. He said that for this reason he stopped handling the Altex line and does not do any business with this firm at the present time. He could furnish no information indicating FARRELL is engaged in any illegal activities.

On 3/7/62 at Mason City, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA LEWIS E. GLENN:pjg Date dictated 3/7/62

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[redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa, owner of the P.M. Marine on the South Shore of Clear Lake, advised he does not know LEW FARRELL or [redacted], and as far as he knows, he has never met either of these persons. He said his boathouse, docks, and equipment are available to the persons who rent cottages on Clear Lake, and that he has a telephone in his place of business which anyone can use if they desire to do so.

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by SA LEWIS E. GLENN:pjg Date dictated 3/7/62

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Visit of James Riddle Hoffa  
at Des Moines, Iowa, April 8, 9, 1962

Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 on April 8 and 9, 1962, advised that JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA, President of the Teamsters Union had arrived in Des Moines, Iowa, by private airplane at about 11:00 a.m. April 8, 1962, and had departed Des Moines on a commercial air-flight at about 10:00 a.m. April 9, 1962. T-2 stated HOFFA had been in Des Moines in connection with a political phase of Teamsters Union activities and had been met by and surrounded by various Teamsters Union officials during his stay in Des Moines. T-2 stated he had been in close attendance on HOFFA from the moment of his arrival until almost midnight April 8, 1962, and had been particularly alert to notice if LEW FARRELL made any appearance with HOFFA or if FARRELL came to the hotel where HOFFA was staying. T-2 stated he was quite positive FARRELL did see HOFFA on April 8, 1962, and he, T-2, did not observe FARRELL anywhere in the vicinity of HOFFA or of the hotel in question. On the morning of April 9, 1962, T-2 stated HOFFA had breakfast with various Teamsters Union Officials and, again, to the best of T-2's knowledge, FARRELL was no where in sight.

Confidential Informant T-3 on April 9, 1962, advised he had closely observed the activities of the JAMES HOFFA and the program on April 8, 1962, and had noted that LEW FARRELL did not take part in any of the activities and had not been observed on that day.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

- (1) United Fraternal Order of Pottawattamie County,  
also known as the "Sewer Club"  
Council Bluffs, Iowa

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 advised on February 3, 1962, he had heard that captioned key club, operated by [REDACTED] was reportedly backed financially by LEW FARRELL. He stated he had learned that [REDACTED] of the Teamsters Union, Kansas City, Missouri, and well acquainted with FARRELL had recently been in Omaha, Nebraska, and had been asked if FARRELL had any part of



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that club. T-4 stated [ ] had stated that FARRELL had tried to put some money into the club but had been unable to do so and that to best of [ ] knowledge [ ] had not received any money from anyone to operate the club.

[ ] East Omaha, Nebraska, was interviewed on March 2, 1962, by SAs [ ] and [ ] stated he met LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, about three years ago through a mutual friend, LARRY MITILLIER at Omaha, Nebraska. He has known MITILLIER for about fifteen years. [ ] was operating Pee Dee's Steak House at Crescent, Iowa. MITILLIER on several occasions when FARRELL was in Omaha brought FARRELL to the steak house for dinner. [ ] stated he has never associated with FARRELL in business and he did not know what type of business FARRELL was engaged at. He stated FARRELL has never borrowed any money from him, or assisted him in any business venture.

[ ] stated he presently operates the United Fraternal Club of Pottawattamie County on South 27th Street in Council Bluffs, Iowa, as a key club. He stated FARRELL does not have any interest in this club. [ ] stated he was in Des Moines, Iowa, to obtain his charter for the club his wife visited at the FARRELL home on several occasions. He also stopped at the FARRELL home but only socially.

(2) Sanitary Disposal Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 on March 16, 1962, advised in late February, 1962, he had learned on good authority that FARRELL had stated that [ ] President of captioned company, wanted to sell out his interest in this company. FARRELL, reportedly had stated he had an interest in this company.

On April 3, 1962, subject was observed by SA MAURICE E. MURPHY to enter the premises of the Sanitary Disposal Company at 602 7th Street, Des Moines.

On April 17, 1962, and on April 18, 1962, subject's car was observed by SA [ ] parked in a parking lot adjacent to the offices of the Sanitary Disposal Company.

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-5 on April 17, 1962, advised he had heard that Sanitary Disposal Company had recently bought out the equipment and routes of [redacted] of Des Moines, one of a number of garbage and trash hauling companies in Des Moines. T-5 stated it was his understanding that LEW FARRELL was devoting more and more of his time to the operations of the Sanitary Disposal Company.

(3) Financial Matters

On the following pages appear results of review of records of the [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.

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Date March 2, 1962

Information pertains to [REDACTED]

Don Holmes, Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum

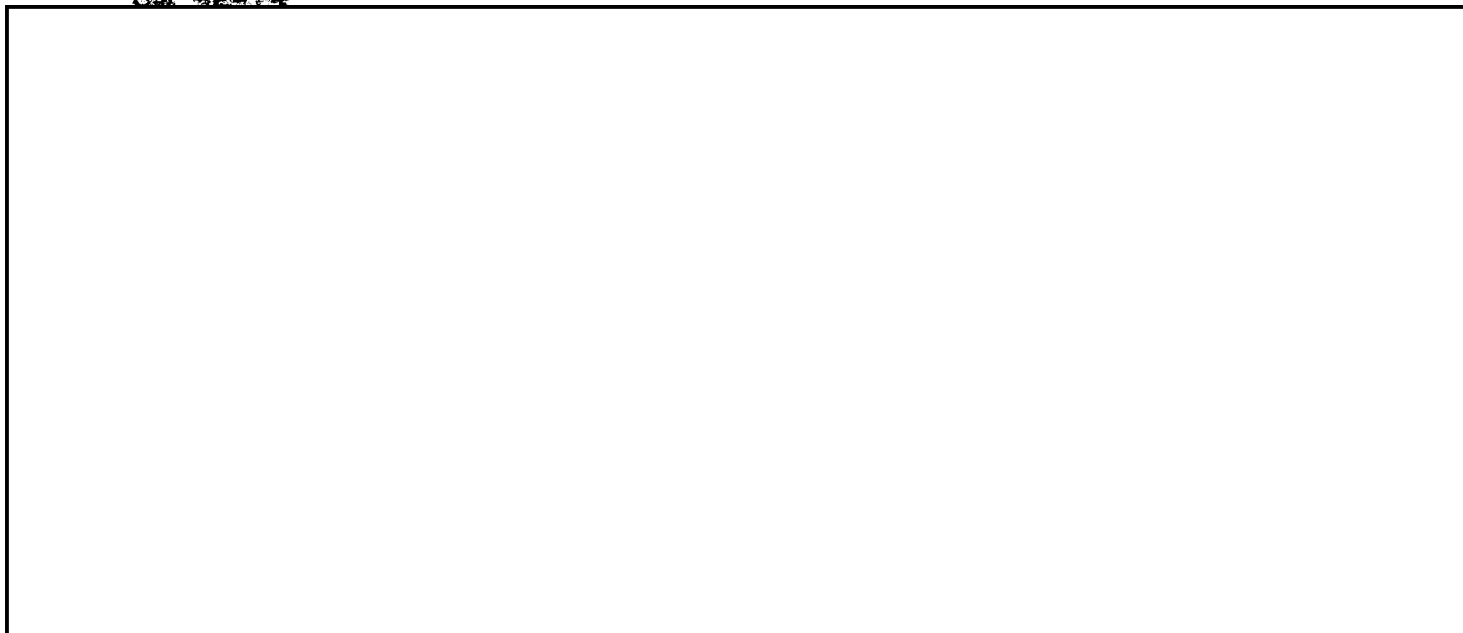
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On 2/23/62 at Don Holmes, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] b6  
b7C Date dictated 2/23/62

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Date 4/23/62Information pertaining to [REDACTED]  
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Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena duces tecum issued to  
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This account reveals the following information:

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On 4/17/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] KCC Date dictated 4/18/62

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G. TRAVEL

On March 28, 1962, Confidential Informants Omaha T-6 and T-7 advised they are in excellent position to have knowledge of air travel by FARRELL and have observed that subject's air travel, which had been rather frequent in years past, has dwindled to the point where he is considered an infrequent passenger of the commercial airlines out of Des Moines.

(1) At Omaha, Nebraska, December 20-21, 1961:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-8 on April 5, 1962, advised LEW FARRELL had registered into Room 22 of the Town House Motel, Omaha, Nebraska, on December 20, 1961, and had checked out on December 21, 1961. T-8 stated numerous local telephone calls were made from this room, but number called not recorded. Two long distance calls were made from this room, but number called not recorded. Two long distance calls were made from this room - one to Des Moines telephone AT 2-5937 on December 20, 1961, and the other to Chicago, Illinois, number TA 9-5822.

As previously noted, AT 2-5937 is FARRELL's residential telephone in Des Moines; Chicago Number TA 9-5822 is listed to the Jordan Exposition Company.

(2) To Chicago, Illinois April 4, 1962:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 on April 18, 1962, advised LEW FARRELL had departed Des Moines, Iowa, on April 4, 1962, on United Air Lines flight 424 en route to Chicago, Illinois. He stated Flight 424 departed Des Moines at 4:00 p.m. and arrived at Chicago at 5:25 p.m.



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Omaha, Nebraska  
April 27, 1962

Title  
LEW FARRELL, aka

Character  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference  
report of SA [redacted]  
[redacted] dated April 27, 1962,  
at Omaha, Nebraska.

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All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

Omaha T-5, with whom contact has been too limited to determine his reliability.



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Omaha, Nebraska  
April 27, 1962

Re: LEW FARRELL, aka  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] dated April 27, 1962, at Omaha, Nebraska.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Confidential Informant OM T-1 is an employee of a large firm in Omaha, Nebraska, who has access to information of a confidential nature;

Confidential Informant OM T-2 is an employee of a large business firm in Des Moines, Iowa, who has a professional interest in matters of public interest;

Confidential Informant OM T-3 is an employee of a large business firm in Des Moines, Iowa, who has a professional interest in matter of public interest;

Confidential Informant OM T-4 is a legitimate Omaha businessman with no criminal record or unsavory background of any kind. He is in a position to furnish information regarding the criminal element because of his personal interest in betting on various athletic events.

Confidential Informant OM T-5 is a legitimate Des Moines businessman who has an interest in the sanitation problems of the City of Des Moines;

Confidential Informant OM T-6 is an employee of a large firm in Des Moines who has access to information of a confidential nature;

Confidential Informant OM T-7 is an employee of a large firm in Des Moines who has access to information of a confidential nature;

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LEW FARRELL, aka  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Confidential Informant OM T-8 is an employee of a business in Omaha who has access to information of a confidential nature;

Confidential Informant OM T-9 is an employee of a large firm in Des Moines who has access to information of a confidential nature.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>OMAHA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>OMAHA</b>	DATE <b>6/20/62</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>4/18 - 6/15/62</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka.</b>		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 150px;"></div>	TYPED BY <b>mrh</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

REFERENCE

Report of SA  Omaha, 4/27/62.  
Chicago letters to Omaha 5/29 and 6/6/62 (IO).  
Oklahoma letter to Omaha 6/6/62 (IO).

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ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU

Original and two copies of letterhead memo entitled  
"Characterization of Informants."

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AT DES MOINES, IOWA: 1. Will continue periodic  
review of subject's bank account at South Des Moines National  
Bank and a similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

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2. Will determine subscriber to phone number 243-5793 in view payment of charges on that number by subject's wife on 5/13/62.

3. Will maintain liaison with IRS, Des Moines, to determine progress made by that agency and to obtain investigative leads as they may develop.

4. Will maintain contact with informants and other sources to develop additional information on subject.

AT FORT DODGE, IOWA: Will determine subscriber and background of subscriber or person who was called from subject's residence on 4/4/62 to Ft. Dodge 74-1901 in person-to-person call to [ ] (ph).

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AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA: Will maintain contacts with informants and other sources to develop information on subject, noting that it has been reported subject and [ ] allegedly plan on starting a garbage and trash-hauling business in Omaha.

#### INFORMANTS

OM T-1 [ ] OM PCI, contacted by SA [ ] as reported in [ ] and 92-74-899.

OM T-2 [ ] contacted by SA [ ] in 92-74-880 and 92-74-895.

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OM T-3 [ ], Vice President, South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA [ ] in instant report.

OM T-4 [ ] OM PCI, contacted by SA [ ] in 92-74-898.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T- symbols were utilized in this report in instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Information from records of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, concerning long distance calls charged to [REDACTED] Des Moines, was furnished to SA [REDACTED] on 6/15/62 by [REDACTED] Commercial Supervisor.

Information obtained 5/31/62 from records of the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, was furnished SA [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] Vice President in charge of that bank.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Copy to: 1 - USA, DES MOINES  
1 - USA, SIOUX CITY

Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: OMAHA  
Date: 6/20/62

Field Office File No.: OM 92-74

Bureau File No.: 92-3185

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Title: LEW FARRELL

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject's telephonic contacts with several known Omaha and Chicago associates continue. In 5/62 subject purchased \$1,500.00 worth of stock in Sanitary Disposal Co., Des Moines. Information received FARRELL and [REDACTED] planning on starting garbage hauling business in Omaha. Subject reported to have leased Hymie's Drive-In to another party for use as tavern. Bank deposits reflect large deposits from lessor of Hymie's Drive-In property. Subject in Chicago, Illinois, 3/26-29/62. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

Lettered and numbered headings and sub-headings in this report, as well as captions and sub-headings, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

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C. ASSOCIATES

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Specific reference is made on the following page only

to

[Redacted]

Date June 19, 19621

Information pertaining to [redacted]  
[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, is  
maintained at the [redacted]  
[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, and may be obtained only  
by subpoena duces tecum issued to [redacted]  
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On 6/15/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [redacted]:mrh Date dictated 6/15/62

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(2) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed and Unidentified:

Information previously obtained and reported disclosed that on February 17, 1962, a telephone call was placed person-to-person for a [redacted] (ph) to Britton, Oklahoma, VI 2-7433.

The Oklahoma City Office provided information disclosing that the above number was listed to the Ramada Inn, 1401 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City; further that on May 9, 1962, [redacted] Room Clerk, Ramada Inn, advised no registration identifiable with [redacted] was located and that that name was not familiar to him.

Information previously obtained and reported disclosed that on August 30, 1961, a telephone call was charged to the subject's residential phone reflecting a call on that date to Clear Lake, Iowa, [redacted] Investigation previously reported disclosed this number to be listed to [redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa.

SA LEWIS E. GLENN conducted inquiry at Clear Lake, Iowa, as follows:

On April 24, 1962, [redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa, advised that she and her husband have resided at this address for several years. She said that during the summer or fall of 1961 there were several salesmen representing home improvement companies who were in town soliciting siding jobs and other home improvement jobs. She pointed out that she and her husband own two other houses in Clear Lake, and they were contacted by these salesmen. She said she vaguely recalls the name [redacted] and believes he might possibly have been one of these salesmen; however, she could not be certain. She said she knows no one personally by this name and knows nothing about this individual. She stated she and her husband did not keep any of the literature which was given to them, and they did not purchase any siding for any of the houses they own. She said she does not recall that any of these salesmen made or received any calls while they were at the [redacted] home. She said she has never heard of LEW FARRELL.

On April 25, 1962, [redacted] Clear Lake, Iowa, furnished substantially the same information as that given by his wife. He stated the name [redacted] seems vaguely familiar to him, and the only



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thing he could associate with this name was that several home improvement salesmen called upon him and his wife in an effort to sell siding jobs to them for one of the houses they own. He said he could furnish no descriptive data concerning the individual he had in mind except that he was rather dark complexioned. He said he could not recall that any of these men made or received any telephone calls while they were at his home. He said he has never heard of LEW FARRELL.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

(1) Sanitary Disposal Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

As set forth elsewhere in instant report, bank records reflect that subject in May, 1960, purchased 15 shares of stock in captioned company on an investment of \$1500.00.

CI OM T-1 on May 16, 1962, advised he was familiar with the trash and garbage hauling business in Des Moines and was in receipt of information which indicated that LEW FARRELL was devoting more and more of his time to the activities of Sanitary Disposal Company. On May 31, 1962, T-1 advised he had learned that [redacted] formerly a part owner in the Sanitary Disposal Company, was claiming that he [redacted] had severed connections with that company, which was now being operated by FARRELL and [redacted]. T-1 stated that [redacted] was also stating that Sanitary Disposal Company had bought out a smaller garbage hauler named [redacted] and his equipment and that [redacted] was now driving a truck for Sanitary Disposal; further that [redacted] had considered leaving Sanitary Disposal and moving to California, but had reconsidered and was now in Des Moines active with that company. T-1 further stated [redacted] was saying that FARRELL was broke.

CI OM T-2 on April 18, 1962, advised that FARRELL was trying to interest an Omaha, Nebraska, acquaintance into buying into Sanitary Disposal.

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- (2) Hymie's Drive-In  
Des Moines, Iowa

CI OM T-3 on May 31, 1962, advised he had learned from [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, that [redacted] had leased the premises of the restaurant formerly known as Hymie's Drive-In and had converted it into a tavern, to be called, he thought, the Gas-Lite.

It will be noted that bank records, reported elsewhere in instant report, reflect the deposit in the FARRELL bank account of two checks from [redacted]

- (3) World Wide Distributing Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

Set forth on the following pages information pertaining to subject's activities on a phase of business involving World Wide Distributors, now out of business.

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[redacted] Kaye Brothers, 862 East 63rd Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised that his firm manufactures sweaters and jackets. He said that a few years ago World Wide Distributors of Des Moines, Iowa, had contracted with his firm to purchase jackets with a special teamsters Union emblem. The jackets were to be ordered by and paid for by World Wide but the shipments in many instances were made directly to union locals. According to [redacted] of World Wide ordered about 4000 of these jackets which were shipped to Iowa, Wisconsin, Missouri and other western states including California.

When World Wide Distributors went into receivership [redacted] was owed several thousand dollars. After conferring with World Wide officials, [redacted] agreed to take over some accounts receivable rather than sue for his money. [redacted] was to insure that the union locals would pay these accounts but no money was received. It was at this stage that LEW FARRELL came to the factory and told [redacted] that he would help collect the monies due [redacted]. FARRELL told [redacted] that he knew all of the union officials and would have no trouble in seeing that the money due was paid.

[redacted] said that no inducement was made to FARRELL for his proffered services nor did FARRELL request any remuneration. [redacted] believed that FARRELL made this offer to help [redacted] from pressing World Wide for their money.

According to [redacted] FARRELL has never obtained any of these payments for him and in fact [redacted] wrote off the loss as bad debts in their last income tax filing.

[redacted] advised that he has seen FARRELL on three or four occasions at the factory, always in connection with the above. He said he learned that FARRELL was originally from Chicago and his true name was FRATTO. He did not know any other members of FARRELL's family.

On 5/17/62 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-437

SAs ROBERT L. MALONE and

by DENNIS W. SHANAHAN:dkz Date dictated 5/23/62

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[ ] is still selling the teamsters jackets to  
Sanatex Corporation, 2321 North Wolcott, Chicago, where  
he does business with [ ]

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- (4) Garbage Hauling Business  
Omaha, Nebraska

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CI OM T-4 on May 21, 1962, advised he had learned that [redacted] and LEW FARRELL associated together in a garbage-hauling business in Des Moines, Iowa, were planning on starting the same type of business in Omaha, Nebraska.

- (5) Teamsters Union  
Kansas City, Missouri

CI OM T-2 on May 7, 1962, advised he had learned that FARRELL had recently offered his assistance to a friend who was apparently having some difficulty with the Teamsters Union in Kansas City. He stated FARRELL had offered the assistance after the difficulty had been cleared up, so he did not know what, if any, material aid could have been provided by FARRELL.

- (6) Financial Matters

On the following pages appear results of review of records of [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.

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Date 6/5/62

Information pertaining to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Des Moines, Iowa, which [REDACTED]

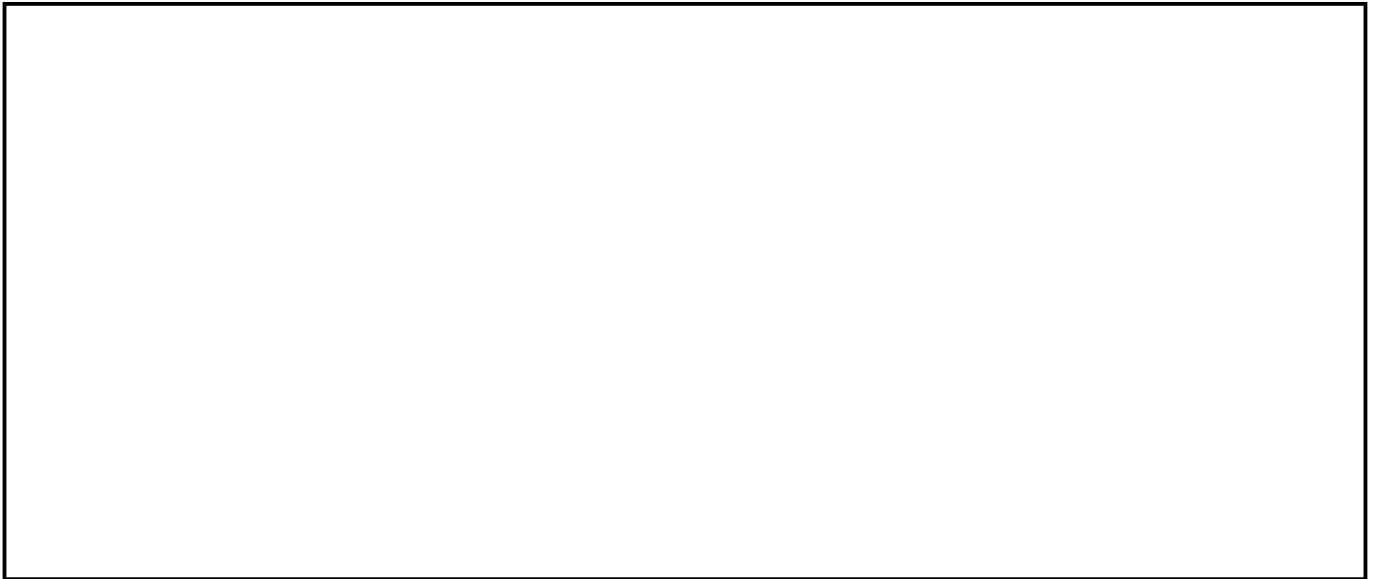
[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena  
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G. TRAVEL

(1) At Chicago, Illinois, March 26, 1962 to March 29, 1962

Review of telephone records referred to elsewhere in this report discloses that beginning at 8:00 p.m., March 26, 1962, collect telephone calls were charged to subject's residential telephone, which calls were from Chicago, Illinois, and were from a party identified as LEW FARRELL or as "DADDY." There were four such calls, one each being made on March 26, 27, 28, 29, 1962, with the last one being made at 8:44 p.m., March 29, 1962.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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*In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.*

Omaha, Nebraska  
June 20, 1962

Title            LEW FARRELL

Character        ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference        Report of Special Agent  
                    [redacted] Omaha,  
                    dated June 20, 1962.

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All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

OM T-1 and OM T-4 with whom contact has been too limited to determine reliability.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185)

DATE: 7/9/62

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, aka  
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Rerep of SA [REDACTED] 6/20/62 at Omaha.

Referral/Consult

The Bureau will be kept advised of further developments in this phase of instant case as they occur.

SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS  
IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND  
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Reporting Office <b>OMAHA</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>8/29/62</b>	Investigative Period <b>7/2 - 8/23/62</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	Typed By: <b>jkh</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

**Synopsis:**

REFERENCES:

Report of SA  at Omaha  
6/20/62;  
Kansas City letters to Omaha 7/5/62 and  
8/1/62 (Interoffice);  
Chicago airtel to Omaha 7/31/62 (IO);  
Chicago letter to Omaha 8/10/62 (IO);  
Omaha airtel to Kansas City 7/17/62 (IO).

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ENCLOSURES:

TO THE BUREAU

Original and two copies of letterhead memorandum  
entitled "Characterization of Informants."

<p>Approved: <i>[Signature]</i> Special Agent in Charge</p> <p>Copies made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>③ - Bureau (92-3185) (Enc <del>3</del> 3)</li> <li>1 - USA, Des Moines, Iowa</li> <li>1 - USA, Sioux City, Iowa</li> <li>2 - Chicago (92-437)</li> <li>2 - Denver (92-103) <i>cc destroyed 8.7.63</i></li> <li>3 - Omaha (92-74)</li> <li>(1 - 92-67)</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;">Do not write in spaces below</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>92 - 3185 - 97</span> <span>REC-62</span> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>10 SEP 1962</p> <p><i>[Stamp: FILED]</i></p> <p><i>[Stamp: SUB. DEPT.]</i></p> </div>
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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, Will determine identity of and background of subscriber to following telephone numbers, which were recipients of telephone calls from subject's residential telephone, as follows:

5/1/62 to WE 9-8250;  
4/22/62 and frequently during 7/62 - CH 2-6718

DENVER

AT PUEBLO, COLORADO, Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of Chicago Division re telephone number LI 3-3424, called on 6/30/62.

OMAHA

AT DES MOINES, IOWA:

1. Will continue periodic review of subject's bank account at the South Des Moines National Bank and similar review of his long distance telephone calls.

2. Will follow up and attempt to develop additional information regarding subject's reported recent contacts with [REDACTED]

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3. Will attempt to determine background of receipt by FARRELL of check on 6/11/62 of \$900.00 from [REDACTED]

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Will conduct inquiry similar to that requested of Chicago in regard to Omaha telephone numbers as follows:

341-3456 called on 4/11/62;

342-8868 called on 4/13/62.

INFORMANTS

T-1 is [REDACTED] Security Officer, North-western Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted

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by SA [REDACTED]

T-2 is [REDACTED] reporter, Des Moines  
Tribune Newspaper, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA  
[REDACTED]

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T-3 is [REDACTED] Cashier, South Des Moines  
National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA.  
[REDACTED]

T-4 is [REDACTED] contacted by SA JOHN M.  
GATTIS, JR., per Kansas City letter of 8/1/62 in  
Om 92-74-910;

T-5 is Omaha PCI [REDACTED] to SA  
[REDACTED]

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source concealed and T symbols were utilized in this  
report only in instances where the identity of the  
sources must be concealed.

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Referral/Consult

Information from records of the Northwestern  
Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, concerning

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long distance telephone calls charged to AT 2-5937, Des Moines, was furnished to SA [REDACTED] on 8/23/62 by [REDACTED] Commercial Supervisor.

Information obtained 8/13/62 from records of the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, was furnished SA [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] Vice President in charge of that bank.

The identity of the SA, FBI, who observed location of Sanitary Disposal Office trucks and personal car of subject and who made the anonymous telephone call on 8/7/62 was SA [REDACTED] The SAs, FBI, who observed FARRELL driving a Sanitary Disposal Truck on 8/22/62 were SAs MAURICE E. MURPHY and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Des Moines, Iowa  
1 - United States Attorney, Sioux City, Iowa

Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: OMAHA  
Date: August 29, 1962

File Number: OM 92-74 BuFile: 92-3185

Title: LEW FARRELL

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject's telephonic contacts with several known Chicago, Omaha, and Kansas City associates continue. Sanitary Disposal Company has moved office from property of [REDACTED] who has severed connections with company because of bad publicity caused company by subject; FARRELL observed 8/22/62 driving company truck. FARRELL described as broken and bitter man. Bank accounts reflect FARRELL has cashed in three insurance policies. CI advised FARRELL has no control over Teamsters Union in Iowa or Nebraska, but believed to have some political influence; FARRELL allegedly goes to Chicago in effort to contact JAMES HOFFA on occasion of quarterly meetings of Teamsters Union there. Information available indicates FARRELL rarely leaves Des Moines in recent months. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

Lettered and numbered headings and sub-headings in this report, as well as captions and sub-captions, follow the same pattern used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

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C. ASSOCIATES

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Specific reference is made on the following  
pages to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



1Date 8/28/62

Information pertaining to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Des Moines,  
Iowa, is maintained at the [REDACTED][REDACTED] Des Moines, and may be  
obtained only by subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]  
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b7DOn 8/23/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74by SA [REDACTED] : jkh Date dictated 8/23/62  
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(2) Identity of Telephone Numbers Previously Listed  
and Unidentified:

The Chicago Division on July 31, 1962, advised that [redacted] is an unpublished telephone listed to [redacted] and Associates, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, Room [redacted] Realtors. The Chicago Division on July 31, 1962, further advised that telephone number [redacted] is an unpublished telephone number listed to [redacted] [redacted] Cicero, Illinois.

CI OM T-1 on August 23, 1962, advised that Des Moines number 243-5793 is a teen-ager's telephone registered to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa, for use by [redacted] of that address. T-1 stated records reveal this telephone has not been used for long distance calls.

1Date August 8, 1962

[redacted] Director of Admissions, St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital, 1120 North Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois, advised that the hospital records reflect the following information:

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Room 320 in this hospital was occupied from October 16 to October 28, 1961, by THOMAS FRATTO. FRATTO was born on September 6, 1884, in Italy, resides at 825 South Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois, and is married to [redacted]. His physician was Doctor [redacted]. During his stay at the hospital, FRATTO underwent surgery after a diagnosis of carcinoma of the lungs.

[redacted] advised that no record is maintained of outgoing telephone calls from a patient's room after the bill is paid.

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by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/jrn:jkh Date dictated 8/8/62

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(3) [redacted]  
Harlan, Iowa

Assistant Chief [redacted], Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigation, on August 23, 1962, advised a source of that department had informed that FARRELL on several occasions in recent weeks has been observed visiting the room of [redacted] in the Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.

It will be noted that [redacted] is a Harlan, Iowa, attorney and was formerly Chairman of the Iowa Democratic Party.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

(1) Sanitary Disposal Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

As previously reported, [redacted] known associate of the subject, and formerly identified as a partner in the Sanitary Disposal Company, was known to have stated in May, 1962, that he had severed connections with that company, which was now being operated by LEW FARRELL and [redacted]. It may be noted that Sanitary Disposal, from its inception maintained its offices in a building at 602 - 7th Street, Des Moines, a building owned by [redacted].

An anonymous telephone call made on August 7, 1962, to the telephone number of Sanitary Disposal determined office of that company located at 3003 Southeast 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. On August 7, 1962, a Special Agent of the FBI observed Sanitary Disposal Company trucks parked in the area of a Conoco Service Station at 3003 Southeast 14th Street, further observed a sign on the door of the station identifying it as Sanitary Disposal Company, and observed subject's automobile parked on the concrete driveway of the service station.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 on August 23, 1962, advised he had discussed with [redacted] his reasons for severing connections with Sanitary Disposal and [redacted] had explained that the FARRELL name was bad for the business, that he [redacted] was aware FARRELL had

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been investigated for income tax violations and was fearful that the publicity in any trial would be damaging to anything connected with FARRELL and he had, therefore, severed his business connections with the company.

On August 22, 1962, Special Agents of the FBI observed the subject driving a Sanitary Disposal truck in Des Moines, Iowa.

(2) Hymie's Drive-In  
Des Moines, Iowa

Confidential Informant T-3 on August 13, 1962, advised he had learned from [redacted] lessee of the property formerly known as Hymie's Drive-In and now known as the Gas-Lite Tavern, that [redacted] had paid FARRELL two years rent in advance and that this was the reason for the large checks from [redacted] to FARRELL.

(3) Teamsters Union

CI T-4 on July 30, 1962, advised he has known LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, for many years. He stated FARRELL, to his knowledge, has no direct control of the Teamsters Union in Iowa or Nebraska, but does have influence which is political in nature. He could provide no specific examples of FARRELL's alleged influence. He stated FARRELL is contacted by Teamsters Officials on problems of a political nature, but he was unable to provide any instance of such contact, but stated he knew such contacts did take place.

T-4 stated that FARRELL is acquainted with JIMMY HOFFA, President of the Teamsters Union and with [redacted] General Organizer of the International Teamsters Union. He stated the Central States Conference and Grievance meeting of the Teamsters Union is held in Chicago every three months with the last one having been held in June, 1962. T-4 stated FARRELL does not attend these meetings, but reportedly does manage to be in or around the hotels where the meetings are taking place, in order to contact JIMMY HOFFA personally. T-4 stated in his opinion FARRELL is one of the top men in the hoodlum element in Iowa and Nebraska and carries a lot of weight politically. He stated he had no proof of this.

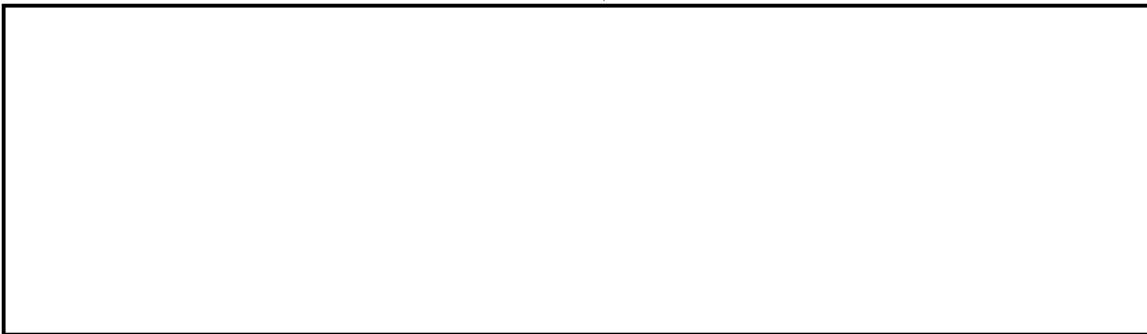
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The Chicago Office, under date of July 31, 1962, advised that office had no information in its possession which would verify that subject had been in attendance at meetings of the Teamsters Union in Chicago.

(4) Financial Matters

CI OM T-2 on August 23, 1962, advised he had been informed by [redacted] within recent weeks that FARRELL is a broken and bitter man. He stated [redacted] in reference to FARRELL's financial condition, stated FARRELL was "not going, but gone."

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On the following pages appear the results of a review of the records of [redacted]  
[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.

1Date August 16, 1962

Information pertaining to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

McKinley, Des Moines, Iowa, may be obtained only by subpoena  
duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]

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G. TRAVEL

Previous experience with travel and telephonic habits of subject FARRELL has disclosed that when away from Des Moines, Iowa overnight, he will place a collect long distance telephone call to his residence. A review of long distance telephone calls, which is referred to elsewhere in this report, fails to reflect any collect long distance calls from him during the period April 1, 1962, to August 8, 1962, with the exception of one call on June 16, 1962, thus indicating that during the above designated period, FARRELL did not do any extended traveling away from Des Moines, Iowa.

CI OM T-5 on July 19, 1962, and again on August 10, 1962, advised, although he is well acquainted with FARRELL and usually sees FARRELL when FARRELL is in Omaha, that he had not seen FARRELL in the Omaha area for some time. T-5 stated that TONY ODDO, another good friend of FARRELLs, had informed him that he, ODDO, had not seen FARRELL in Omaha recently either.

(1) At Chicago, Illinois, June 16, 1962

Review of telephone records referred to elsewhere in this report discloses a collect telephone call was made from an unknown Chicago, Illinois number to subject's residential telephone on June 16, 1962. Identity of caller unknown.





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Reference

Report of SA [REDACTED]  
At Omaha, Nebraska, dated  
August 29, 1962

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

OM T-5, with whom contact had been too limited to determine reliability.

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Omaha, Nebraska  
August 29, 1962

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Reference is made to report of Special Agent  
[redacted] dated August 29, 1962, at Omaha,  
Nebraska.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Confidential Informant Omaha T-1 is an official of a large business concern in Des Moines, Iowa, who has access to records of a confidential nature.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 is an employee of a large business concern in Des Moines, Iowa, whose duties bring him into contact with a variety of businessmen in Des Moines.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 is an officer of a large business concern in Des Moines, Iowa, whose duties enable him to have access to matters of financial interest.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 has associated in recent years with members of the criminal element in Kansas City, Missouri, and has knowledge concerning certain phases of criminal activity. In addition, he has acquaintances in Labor organizations in Kansas City and knowledge concerning their criminal contacts. He will not testify under any circumstances.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-5 is an Omaha, Nebraska, legitimate businessman who has contacts, both past and present, among the hoodlum element in the Omaha area and who is in a position to furnish information concerning their activities.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>OMAHA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>OMAHA</b>	DATE <b>10/30/62</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/28/ - 10/17/62</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	TYPED BY <b>pjg</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

## REFERENCES:

Report of SA  8/29/62  
 at Omaha  
 Chicago letters to Omaha 9/5/62 and 9/13/62 (IO)  
 Denver letter to Omaha 10/10/62

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ENCLOSURES:TO THE BUREAU:

Original and two copies of letterhead memorandum entitled "Characterization of Informants."

LEADS:OMAHA:

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AT DES MOINES, IOWA:

1. Will continue periodic review of subject's long distance telephone calls
2. Will ascertain to which bank his checking account has been transferred and arrange for periodic review of same
3. Will attempt to determine more details regarding subject's health
4. Will maintain contact with informants and sources

INFORMANTS:

T-1 is [redacted] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha, Nebr., contacted by SA [redacted] in 92-74-920

T-2 is [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] in 92-74-922

T-3 is [redacted] Vice President, South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA [redacted] in instant report

T-4 is [redacted] R.S.M., Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA [redacted] in instant report.

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols have been utilized in this report only where the identity of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS:

The information obtained 10/1/62 from the records of the South Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines,

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Iowa, was furnished to SA [REDACTED]  
by [REDACTED] Vice President in Charge of  
that bank.

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Copy to: 1-USA, DES MOINES, IOWA  
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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: OMAHA b6  
Date: OCTOBER 30, 1962 b7C

Field Office File No.: OM 92-74 Bureau File No.: 92-3185

Title: LEW FARRELL

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

Subject's income during 9/62 from Sanitary Disposal Company checks signed by himself; beginning and ending checking account balance during 9/62 was less than \$40.00; account being closed by bank for too many insufficient fund checks. Subject entered Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa 9/21/62 complaining of severe neck and chest pains, determined to be extremely nervous and apprehensive, given oxygen; released 10/7/62, condition diagnosed as hypersensitive cardio vascular disease, heart failure, duodenal ulcer. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## DETAILS:

C. ASSOCIATES

(1) Identity of telephone numbers previously listed and unidentified:

In regard to telephone calls made from subject's residential telephone on April 11, 1962, to Omaha, Nebraska, number 341-3456 and on April 13, 1962, to Omaha, Nebraska, number 342-8868, CI OM T-1 advised on August 30, 1962, that 342-8868 is listed to the Lorraine Hotel, 107 South 13th Street, Omaha, and that 341-3456 is listed to Watson Brothers Transportation Company, 1523 South 24th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

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AT PUEBLO, COLORADO

The following data was developed on October 2, 1962 by SA ALVIN D. HEWITT.

Perusal of telephone cross reference section 1962 R. L. POLK Pueblo City Directory reflects telephone number LI 3-3424 is listed to Mrs. H. O. DAVIS, who is additionally identified in the alphabetical section of such directory as "MARIE O (wid. H. STANLEY) DAVIS, b 1543 E. Route Av. (P & B)."

Perusal of December 1961, latest Mountain States Telephone Directory, reflects notation "DAVIS H. S. 1543 E. Route Av. LI 3-3424."

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Records Pueblo Credit and Collection Bureau, Pueblo, as reviewed by EILEEN KAPLAN reflect that as of 1920 file data was opened as to NATHANIEL S. DAVIS. Since January 1962 such file data has been carried under name Mrs. NATHANIEL S. DAVIS. Pertinent persons are reflected as having maintained a residence at 1543 East Route Avenue, beginning in 1952, with previous addresses of 303 1/2 East Corona, 210 Jackson, and 102 West 6th, Pueblo. DAVIS is reflected as having been employed at The Colorado Fuel and Iron Corporation, steelworks, Pueblo, from 1913 until retirement in late 1959. He is previously listed as having operated a grocery store. Mrs. NATHANIEL S. DAVIS i.e. MARIE O. DAVIS is currently listed as a widow. File data reflects that she as nee MARIE O. KAPERS, age 39, and NATHANIEL S. DAVIS, age 52 were married May 21, 1949 at Gatton, New Mexico. DAVIS is reflected as having obtained a final decree in divorce on January 20, 1925 from [redacted] whom he married October 15, 1915 at Pueblo. DAVIS is additionally reflected as having divorced or as having been divorced as of September 22, 1939 from nee [redacted] with the two appearing to have been married in about 1933. No data indicative of any connections in the Des Moines, Iowa area appears.

B. APPROX.

Records of the Pueblo Police Department Central

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Indices and Traffic Bureau as checked by [REDACTED] reflect only item identifiable with pertinent persons to be a Lost or Missing Property Report, No. 409 made September 15, 1955 by MARIE DAVIS, age 45 years, of 1543 East Route, Pueblo.

Records of the Pueblo Police Department Identification Bureau as checked by Sergeant [REDACTED] reflect no data identifiable.

Records of the Pueblo County Sheriff's Department as checked by Sheriff JOHN KRUTKA reflect no data identifiable.



Date September 13, 19621

The public service directory of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, reflects that WE 9-3250 is listed to the Chicago Board of Trade Safe Deposit Company, 141 West Jackson, Chicago, Illinois.

There is no exchange CE 2 in Chicago or suburbs according to the Illinois Bell Telephone public service directory.

On 9/10/62 at Chicago, Illinois File # 92-437  
by SA DENNIS W. SHAWHAN/lmg 4 Date dictated 9/11/62

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The records of the [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, reflect the following information which  
can be produced only through the issuance of a subpoena  
duces tecum directed to [redacted]

[redacted], Chicago:

[redacted]

On 7/27/62 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-437

by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN:dkz Date dictated 7/31/62

Date 8/30/621

[redacted] nee [redacted]  
[redacted] Cicero, Illinois, advised  
that LEW FRATTO is the brother of [redacted]  
[redacted] She stated that [redacted]  
is the oldest of the FRATTO brothers and has  
very little to do with LEW FRATTO or FRANK  
FRATTO.

[redacted]  
has been the precinct Captain in the 24th Ward,  
Chicago, Illinois, for many years, and until  
recently, resided within that Ward. Because  
of neighborhood changes within the [redacted], the  
[redacted] about  
one year ago, but were continuously bothered  
by phone calls from Ward residents. Because  
of this, [redacted] advised they obtained an  
unlisted phone which was listed in her maiden  
name, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] as Traffic Investigator  
for the Cook County Highway Department, and  
previously was employed for many years as a  
[redacted] to Judge MAROVITZ.

She stated that she was completely  
unaware of the activities or associates of  
LEW FRATTO.

On 8/28/62 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-437

by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/pma 6 Date dictated 8/29/62

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E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

(1) Sanitary Disposal Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

As set forth elsewhere in instant report, subject in September, 1962, was the recipient of funds obtained from checks drawn on the account of the Sanitary Disposal Company, which checks were payable to LEW FARRELL and were signed LEW FARRELL.

CI OM T-2 on August 28, 1962, advised that [redacted] was out of the Sanitary Disposal Company and that Bumpilori had left because he objected to FARRELL's reputation. T-2 stated that apparently [redacted] and FARRELL were operating the company.

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(2) Financial Matters

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on October 1, 1962, advised that the bank account in the name of Mrs. LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, which had been open at the South Des Moines National Bank, Southwest 9th and McKinley, Des Moines, Iowa, was being closed in October, 1962, because of the numerous insufficient fund checks which had been written on that account. T-3 stated a letter had been directed to Mrs. FARRELL advising her the account would be closed as of October 10, 1962.

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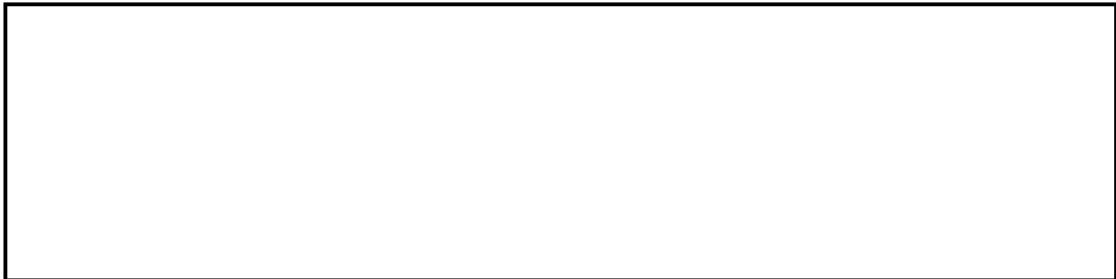
On 10/1/62 at Des Moines, Iowa File # OM 92-74  
by SA [REDACTED] :pjr <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub> Date dictated 10/1/62

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H. HEALTH

Confidential Informant OM T-4, on September 28, 1962, advised that LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines, self-employed in the Sanitary Disposal Company, Des Moines, Iowa, had been admitted to the Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, on September 21, 1962, at which time he was complaining of severe pains in his neck and chest. She stated it was also ascertained that FARRELL was extremely nervous and apprehensive and had been receiving oxygen through a tube for the first week he was in the hospital. She stated it had not been ascertained as of that time the exact nature of his illness and that he was being examined by x-ray and other procedures in an effort to determine his exact condition.

T-4 on October 17, 1962, advised that FARRELL had been released from the hospital at 1:30 p.m. on October 7, 1962. She stated his condition had been diagnosed as (1) hypersensitive cardio vascular disease, (2) heart failure, and (3) a duodenal ulcer.



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Title            Lew Farrell

Character        Anti-Racketeering

Reference        Report of SA [redacted]  
dated 10/30/62 at Omaha

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

None





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Omaha 2, Nebraska  
October 30, 1962

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Re: Characterization of Informants

Set forth below information pertaining to  
informants referred to in report of Special Agent  
[redacted] dated October 30, 1962, entitled  
"Lew Farrell; Anti-Racketeering."

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- OM T-1 is a clerical employee in a large business establishment in Omaha, Nebraska, who has access to records of a confidential nature.
- OM T-2 is an Omaha, Nebraska, business man whose work, on occasion, brings him into contact with the hoodlum element.
- OM T-3 is an official in a large business establishment in Des Moines, Iowa, whose position entitled him to access of records of a confidential nature.
- OM T-4 is a member of a religious order whose work places her in a position to have access to records of a confidential nature.